Botus Fleming Parish Council Neighbourhood Planning Committee

Meeting: Monday 24th April 7.00pm at Dave's Den, Villaton Farmhouse Attendees: Dave, Finlay, Trevor, Helena, John P, Roger, Malcolm, John R

1. Apologies for absence: Denis, Steve, Michelle, Tom

2. Declaration of interests:

There were no declarations of interest declared at the meeting. John R. was welcomed back onto the committee.

3. Minutes of the last meeting:

Agreed as a true and accurate record.

4. Matters arising:

There were no matters arising.

5. Landscape Character Survey inc built environment and green space audit:

The walk around the parish was considered to have been a good event and enjoyed by all who attended. There was a total of 26-28 people who took part in all or part of the walk. It enabled people to understand the landscape of the parish and thanks were extended to John Parker who took many photographs on the way round. There was an opportunity to look at the green spaces of the Pound and the Quay and also to take in the character of the built environment. Although there appears to be no predominate local style there are traditional buildings of local stone, with or without render, hipped and slated roofs and the odd cob building. It was noted that a couple of new builds sit very well in the local environment, but 'town housing' less so. There was a good diversity of wildflowers in the hedgerows and a fair number of Cornish hedges and trees.

6. Big Lunch/Get Together:

Plans are proceeding well. Josh Taylor will provide live music. Enquiries are being made to St John Ambulance for 1st Aid attendance. It was agreed that the marketing should not be wordy, stress that it is a community and free event. Trevor to feed back to Steve.

7. Website Update:

The website is now live. Trevor will attend a training session with Christine on Friday and then pass on his skills.

8. Neighbourhood Watch Update:

Dave sent the money for the signs a fortnight ago but has yet to receive them. He is chasing it. He hopes to do some fraud awareness events in the church hall at a later date. Dave will research speed cameras. To borrow them from the police requires volunteers prepared to do 40+ hours a month.

9. Parish Council elections update:

All is going well. John P has had 3 phone calls with good feed back.

10. Financial Report:

Finlay is to email us all copies of the forms sent to the council showing the spending for the last 6 months.

11. AOB:

We have yet to find and commission a planning consultant. Trevor is to approach Louie to see if he would be interested.

12. Housing Needs Assessment:

The cost from the council has come back at £580 + vat, printing etc, estimate total cost £1000. It was agreed that Trevor should commission the council to go ahead.

13. Date of next meeting: 8th May 2017