

East Peckham Parish Council Forum Monday 18th March 2024 Minutes

Present - Cllrs M. Joannes, D. Seal & M. Williams.

Organisations attended -

WI, Salvation Army, Scout Group, Holy Trinity, History Trust, Badminton, Table Tennis, Karate, Kung Fu, 2 x Football clubs and Wealden Homes.

- 1 **Welcome from forum organiser**: Cllr M. Joannes introduced himself.
- 2 **Introductions:** All organisation representatives introduced themselves and explained what service they offer.
- Discussion of current provisions within the village: Attendees fed back the lack of volunteers in the following areas Scouts and Beavers are looking for volunteers to assist with the groups and more importantly maintenance work in and around the hall along with admin support.

WI – numbers are high for attendees however they also struggle with volunteers.

Holy Trinity – Lack of volunteers.

Football – Happy with the pitches and changing room facilities however dog mess is a growing problem.

Badminton & table tennis – Both expressed a need for better lighting in the main hall.

- Organisers; Ideas given were to have a sports event using the Jubilee field, offering table tennis, badminton, football, tennis etc. Better advertising of events and organisation needs. The D Day event date & timings was confirmed. Village organisations only can have a stall to raise their own funds.
 - Holy Trinity confirmed they will share our event to raise funds for the church. Invitation leaflets to all residents.
- Discuss community grant: M. Joannes offered information regarding grant. The incorrect link had been sent so JP will resend this to groups. Many felt the grant does not apply to them.
- 6 **Closing remarks/questions**: M. Joannes thanked all those who attended.
- 7 **Meeting Closed**: 19.05pm