

**Odd Down Community Association Executive  
Minutes 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
at The Green**

**Those attending:** Peter Perkins (chair), Liz Vincent, Duncan McGibbon, Joel Hirst, Jo Peters, Jonathan Windsor & Graham Pearson. Apologies: Steve Hedges, Andy Stewart & Ruth Wishart.

- 1) Minutes of last meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2023** were approved.
- 2) Matters arising:** **(a) Trustee data:** Those attending updated their personal information on new forms to be held by secretary. **(b) Transport & Buses (petition).** Liz shared the statement about No. 4 bus service and the lack of a proper bus stop that she planned to present to the Council on our behalf. This had been circulated and added to. Need to find date of council meeting? Joel shared the recent meeting he and Steve had with the Metro Mayor which unfortunately did not provide any constructive help. The new Demand Responsive Transport system was a plan for some rural areas but this would take time for development. Other rural areas are likely not to be continued in the next few weeks and the DRT was not the replacement as it was a booking service. **(c) Cycle Track** 10 years – looking for any anniversary information?
- 3) Grant reports and applications.** **(a) St Martin's Pantry:** Graham reported on their AGM and their plans for the future. Significant progress was being made by the project since we helped with an start up contributing grant of £500 and they are now planning to develop a kitchen for families to learn about cooking using ingredients from the pantry. Also information how desperate some families are to afford basics. **(b) Thursday Toddlers:** A further enquiry had been made. A grant of £100 was approved. Other issues raised by the toddler group at the AGM were to be helped by BAPP at the Centre which they have arrangements for..
- 4) Youth services:** Progress report by Graham and Peter over the meeting with Youth Connect (SW) and their plans for further 'targeted' groups. Issues that might considered and be looked at. Rent to be raised for activities?
- 5) Community News** **(a)** 'Walk In' opening @ St Philips opened twice weekly for those seeking warmth. Fits in with Food Bank. **(b)** Update on St Martins' Burial Group and Camerton Archaeological Society investigations underground using sonar. Looking into area. New publication being planned. **(b) AoB:** **(a) Facebook:** Ruth had found someone who might be able to help administrate the site. **(b) Litter Picking.** Joel reported teams working well with their monthly programme.

**Next meeting 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 7pm @ The Green.** ODCA Executive meets monthly on the second Wednesday in the month 7pm at The Green Community Room, Odd Down.