

Bayston Hill Parish Council Chair's report 9.10.2023.

On Tuesday 19th September 2023 I attended, with Councillor Clarke and Councillor Whittall, a meeting with Edward Andrews for Bayston Hill and Longnor parish councillors. The meeting was to discuss the maintenance of Lyth Hill. A parcel of land is currently being rented and the authority are looking at the best way to make the most of the land to achieve maximum biodiversity. Both parishes agreed that this would be how they would like to see the land managed in the future. Edward offered to discuss this with the person currently renting the land with a view to reaching an amicable arrangement moving forward.

The Income Generation group met on Monday 25th September 2023 to elect a new chair and Councillor Teckoe was duly elected. A time schedule for future meetings was agreed and this and initial ideas from the group will be brought to full council.

On Friday 29th September I attended the MacMillan Coffee Morning at the Memorial Hall. The event was well supported and raised £140 for the MacMillan charity. Many thanks to Julie, BHPC clerk, for organising this for the second year and this is now clearly an annual event in the BHPC diary.

The annual Apple Pressing took place on Saturday 7th October 2023 and was well attended. Thanks go to Councillor Underwood for leading this event and staff members, Peter for supporting the apple pressing and Rachel for running an autumn wreath making session.

On Thursday 12th October 2023 the clerk and I will be meeting with Claire Crackett, the Link Deputy Lieutenant for Bayston Hill. Claire wants to meet with us to discuss how she can best support BHPC and the residents of Bayston Hill. If any councillors have any suggestions please let me or the clerk know.

Many thanks to all BHPC councillors who have given up their time to attend these events this month and the next date for our diaries is the annual Remembrance Day Service on Friday 10th November 2023 at the Memorial Hall to start at 10:30am and finish at 12pm. The children from Oakmeadow School will be joining us as usual and refreshments will be provided.

Caroline Clode - BHPC Chair