

# BUY IN GRAYSHOTT CAMPAIGN

Business Meeting held Tues 27<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at the Fox & Pelican  
Meeting commenced 6.09pm

## IN ATTENDANCE

Caroline Kaighin (Kaighin & Daughter), Peter & Vivien Harrison (Grayshott Concerts), Brian Archer (Absolute Power Electrical Services), Sue Hinchcliffe (Pilgrims of Hindhead), Clive Slaughter (Grayshott Parish Council), Glenn Myers (Grayshott Pottery), Kim & Mark Bibby (Fox & Pelican), Myles Hill (Coop), Mark Hall (Grayshott Football Club), Ken Williams (Grayshott Cricket Club), Michelle Reidy (Post Office & Grayshott Galette), Chris Bearman (MDO Studio), Holly Hirst (The Royal School), Carol Wass (Grayshott Therapies), Gillian Rawcliffe (Columbine B+B & FROGS), Graham Page & Janet O'Conner (Golden Valley Poultry), Bishnu Kharel (Bay Leaf), William Benson (Applegarth), Ruth Greenfield (Ruth Greenfield Cards), Phil Bates (Grayshott Society), Debbie Vodden (EHDC), Jean Colvin (Colvin's Creative English), Bryan Buck (Haslemere Herald), Malcolm Palmer (Bordon Post), Marcus Atkins (Round & About Magazine), Sam James (County Councillor), Diana & Colin Milner-Walker (Pets on Tops), Andrew Broxholme (Waveplus Systems Ltd), Doug Holman (New Dimension Enterprise), Gordon Sanderson (Scouts & St Luke's Church), Aimee Plant (Life in Haslemere Magazine) & Sudha Rai (Gurkha Durbar Nepalese Restaurant).

## APOLOGIES

Kemal Babur, Francis Gottesman, Nick Chilton, Mani Rai, Richard Millard, Andy & Melody Clague, Gillian Chard, Lynda & Robin Davis, David & Ros Richards, Iain Looms, John & Julie Bevis, Phil Simmons, Russell Cupitt, James & Kelly George, Helen Moffat, Rachel Coates, Karen Brooks, Barbie McSean, Susan Shaw, Anthony Daykin, Rebecca Benson, Ian Boxall, Phil Simmons, Chris Wheeler, Kevin Kaighin, Ann Myers and Julie Stevens

## MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

It was reported that Maurice Butcher of "The Firs Complete Garden Services" in Headley Down had now joined BIG. Also welcomed to the meeting was Diana & Colin Milner, Janet O'Connor, Malcolm Palmer, Bryan Buck and Debbie Vodden.

Phil Bates reported that negotiations with SCC regarding traffic calming measures in Headley Road appeared to have stalled. It seemed they would go ahead with measures before the opening of the tunnel even though no-one could specifically know what the problems might be. Letters had been sent to the press expressing the disappointment of Grayshott, the village most affected if measures turned out to be inadequate or unnecessary once the tunnel was opened.

A donation of £440 to Grayshott Parish Council had been agreed towards the cost of the power supply for the Christmas Lights.

It was with sadness that, despite enormous efforts by Barbie & Steve McSean, Grayshott Movies were not getting enough support to make it worthwhile, thus the venture is to be abandoned.

It was reported that a fishing afternoon was still to be arranged and the Best Dressed Shop judging wouldn't be carried out until the works in the Square had been completed.

DS reported that invites had been sent out to members with regard to advertising in the new Directory. Copy would be required within the next FOUR weeks. It would then go to press. The coverage of the Directory would be extensively widened and would be delivered by the Post Office, with a further drop a year later.

## FINANCIAL STATUS

Caroline Kaighin reported the following balances: General Fund £1236    Lights Fund £1,023  
Charity Golf Fund £255    Grayshott in Bloom Fund £306    TOTAL FUNDS £2,868

## GRAYSHOTT.COM + /BIG

Peter Hatch reported that he would no longer give business members a free web-site. In future there would be a cost of £100 per year for all those who wished to put their web site link on his web site, unless they were already paying a £300 sponsor fee. There would also be charges for business news items for those that weren't sponsors. This would partly cover the cost of the time required to service the site promoting various organisations in the village.

It was agreed further help with the time required could be made by opening up the site to certain organisations to input some of their own information. He agreed that he would open up the BIG site as soon as controls could be added to safeguard security. He was warmly applauded for all his efforts over the past ten years.

He then once again reported that he had just taken out a licence with VR2020 to set up a virtual tour of Grayshott, and was now in a position to offer local businesses an opportunity to become “hotspots” on the Grayshott virtual tour. This would become an integral part of Grayshott.com and provide an interesting new and enjoyable way for visitors to look up, and look into, local businesses. Anyone interested could get full details logging on to [www.grayshott.com/virtual](http://www.grayshott.com/virtual).

### **GRAYSHOTT CONCERTS**

Vivien Harrison reported that the recent combined production between Concerts and Applegarth Farm, “The Shakesperience”, an open air event at Applegarth Farm had been a huge success. Although there had been numerous helpers for the event, particular thanks were expressed for the valuable assistance freely given by David Phillips and Peter Knifton.

She went on to inform the meeting that their next concert, the huge Beethoven “Emperor” Piano Concerto, being held at St Luke’s on 11<sup>th</sup> September, was now getting close to being sold out already, and then moved on to express her excitement in getting Karl Jenkins to come to Grayshott to conduct one of his own works (a rare event), on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November. He will be conducting the work he released last year, “Stella Natalis”. He has also agreed to switch on the Christmas Lights for BIG prior to the performance.

The Concerts team added that all this was only made possible by the sponsorships, grants and time freely given by many businesses, local people and local authorities, and in particular the support given by BIG.

### **GRAYSHOTT IN BLOOM**

It was agreed that the hanging basket display was looking very good this year. Thanks were extended to Cllr Sam James for allowing us to plunder some of his devolved budget in order to meet a large part of the cost of our new baskets. The special water reservoir they contain certainly seems to be paying off.

### **PARTY IN GRAYSHOTT (PiG)**

Brian Archer reported that the “Village Fun Day” had gone off very well although the Carnival Procession was a bit disappointing. He thanked all the helpers that made the day so successful and appealed to members to come up with suggestions that would further enhance the event. Although there was a lot of work in organising the event, coupled with financial restraints, it was hoped that the event would be held each year.

Brian then added that PiG would be combining with the Village Hall Group in order to put on the Firkenfest event later in the year. With regard to the Pyrotechnics Display, there had been no joy in finding a suitable location in the village, so it seemed unlikely that there could be a display.

### **VILLAGE SQUARE**

Work was still going on. This was causing certain annoyance to some traders even though the result once finished would look brilliant. It was hoped that all major work would be completed by 9<sup>th</sup> August.

### **LITTER PICK**

The litter pick would be taking place on Saturday week (9<sup>th</sup> August), the venue being Leete’s car park at 10.00am, finishing at 10.45am with a beverage at the Fox & Pelican. ALL VOLUNTEERS WELCOME. Reminders for volunteers would be sent out over the following week.

### **St. LUKE’S CHURCH & SCOUT GROUP**

The “gift day” had been a success. Gordon Sanderson reported that the church needed to raise £125,000 each year to cover its running cost. Although it was managing to keep afloat, further contributions would be very helpful.

He reported that the Boundary Walk, being held on Sunday 3rd October, would have a slightly different route this year, and with normally around 250 people participating, there was scope for further sponsorship.

The church planned to put on a Christmas Concert on 5<sup>th</sup> December and would also be doing stamps for local deliveries.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**BIG Charity Golf Day** would be held on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept at Hurtmore G. C. Further details from Dick Smith.

**6-a-side-Cricket Competition** is being held on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August. BIG are putting in a team. Any players interested please contact DS.

**Special Branch** are keen to roll out awareness sessions on terrorism and will arrange talks to those interested in watching out for such signs in our Village. Anyone interested was asked to contact the Parish Council.

**EHDC Business News** – The Summer edition explained how EHDC are looking to lead the development, improvement and promotion of economic growth and business support in the district. They hoped to create more networking opportunities with business support & training, coupled with access to information services making businesses more aware of opportunities available to them. In addition access could be provided to key decision makers in the public sector. The news also provided details on a new on-line Licensing Service to make life easier for local businesses, not to mention on how to get a FREE listing in the East Hants on-line Business Directory. Debbie Vodden, from EHDC, was on hand to distribute copies of the Newsletter, (which could also be had on-line) and answer questions following the meeting. She was thanked for being so supportive of BIG.

**Meeting Frequency** – A motion was put forward by the Chair and seconded by Michelle Reidy that BIG meetings would be reduced to four per year and the constitution amended accordingly. The motion was unanimously carried. It was pointed out that Emergency meetings could be called with fourteen days notice.

Sudha Rai, from the Gurkha Durbar Nepalese Restaurant, informed the meeting that the restaurant would be doing a local delivery service from the beginning of August.

**Meeting finished at 7.09pm with thanks to Kim & Mark  
for the use of the Fox & Pelican restaurant.**

**Next meeting will be  
6.00pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2010, at the Fox & Pelican.**

**In order to try and create a tidier Village, the BIG Campaign organise  
Litter picking sessions in the Village, and would ask anyone available  
to join in on the following date.**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2010**

**Why not put this date in your diary NOW (It's only for 45 minutes!)**

***Meet at Leete's car park at 10.00am***

**Finish in Fox & Pelican at 10.45am for a complimentary beverage.**

# **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**6-a-side Cricket Competition – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> August  
at the Recreation Ground**

**Charity Golf Day – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September  
at Hurtmore Golf Club**

**Beethoven “Emperor” Piano Concerto  
Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September at St Luke’s Church**

**Village Boundary Walk – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October  
*(Details from Gordon Sanderson)***

**MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO PLEASE MINIMISE  
THE ON-STREET PARKING OF THEIR VEHICLES  
DURING THE DAY**

**THIS LEAVES AVAILABLE STREET PARKING  
FOR CUSTOMERS & VISITORS PASSING THROUGH**

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## **Next Business Meeting**

**6.00pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at Fox & Pelican**

**THE AGENDA WILL NORMALLY FOLLOW THE SAME FORMAT AS PREVIOUS MEETINGS AND WILL BE ISSUED BY E-MAIL A COUPLE OF DAYS BEFOREHAND or/and HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING.**

**If you have NOT received  
recent e-mails from me  
then I have NOT got  
your e-mail address.**

**If you have one could you  
please e-mail it to me.**

**You will then join the band  
being first with the BIG news**

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