

Go Kidsgrove Meeting
18th Sept 2018 – held at The Railway Inn

NOTES OF MEETING

Present: Josephine Locke (Chair)

Janet Lacey	Elaine Gibson	Hilary Allman	Apologies
Trudi Barnard	Jill Waring	Dorothy Fogg	Robin Wiles
Philip Leese	Mark Smithson	Vic Jukes	Andrew Marcus
Dawn Lacey	Paul Waring	Reg Bailey	Geoff Locke

Notable Dates

17th November – town centre Christmas lights switch-on

8th December – Victorian Market

11th-24th Dec – Lost Reindeer Trail

		ACTION
1.	WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – JLo welcomed everyone	
2.	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING All actions from October either completed or ongoing.	
3.	<p>CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will have the use of the former barber's shop in King Street as a base for craft activities, storytelling and getting warm. Help need to set up shop and gazebo on Sat morning. Volunteers required to help staff shop. • Activities will start about 11am, with switch-on of tree, King Street, Market St and Heathcote St lights at 5pm. • Stalls to include (hopefully) barista coffee, candyfloss and pocket money toys. Unlikely to be any kiddie rides as Stanworth's are covering two larger events on same day. • 'Sound of Brass' will be performing at 2.45 and 3.45. • Lantern parade will set off from St Thomas Church at 4.30. Meet at 4.15. Stewards wearing Go Kidsgrove vests will marshal the walkers. Please come in fancy dress if possible. • The Town Council has arranged for a band to play outside the town hall from 5pm, prior to the switch on of their lights, which will be at 6pm. 	<p>JLo ALL</p> <p>TB</p> <p>JLo/TB</p>
4.	<p>HELP SANTA FIND HIS REINDEER TRAIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The trail will launch around 8th Dec (at Victorian Market if possible). Very similar to Easter 'lamb hunt' but will require people to note the places where the reindeer are hiding rather than names. Group discussed whether to use local places or international locations – it 	

	<p>was agreed to use a mixture of both.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thanks to Elaine for providing the initial design. TB to prepare entry forms and reindeer posters for windows. • Kidsgrove Library is happy to be the collection point for rewards. Need to obtain choccie treats and sign up shops. 	TB JLo
5.	<p>VICTORIAN MARKET (8th Dec)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Volunteers needed to help staff the Go Kidsgrove stall (in Victorian costume if possible). • Will have calendars and poetry booklets on sale. May be able to sell photos as well if frames can be obtained. 	ALL
6.	<p>GO KIDSGROVE SHOP</p> <p>Landlord has a tenant ready to move in soon so we cannot use the shop as a pop-up as intended but we do have it for the day of the switch-on.</p>	
7.	<p>HERITAGE TRAIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning permission is still underway. • A draft of the poetry booklet was circulated for comment. The KHT steering group are happy with it so it will go to printers shortly. 	
8.	<p>CALENDAR FOR 2019</p> <p>Now available for sale at various locations round town, including Kidsgrove Library. Price £5. Please tell your friends.</p>	ALL
9.	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jlo has been elected Chair of the Kidsgrove LAP (Locality Action Partnership) with Jill Waring as vice-chair. This LAP covers Kidsgrove, Mow Cop, Ravenscliffe and Newchapel. Separate LAPs cover Talke and Butt Lane. • The group felt that more information was needed about the terms of reference of the LAPs and better marketing to encourage more people to attend. Evening meetings, rather than the current daytime slots, might help. 	ALL
3.	<p>NEXT MEETING</p> <p>Tuesday 8th January 2019, 6.30pm, at The Railway Inn.</p> <p>[Note: No December meeting]</p>	ALL