

# MINUTES

## Newton Poppleford Primary School PTFA

*Date | time* Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 7:30pm | *Meeting called to order by* Bob Tubbs

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### In Attendance

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Bob Tubbs, Michelle Francis-Dill, Mary Raffell, Tilli Beglin, Lisa Cavanagh, Rachel Bolt, Jacquie Critcher, Jon Leeson-Kings

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### Finances

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- There was unanimous agreement for the PTFA to contribute £70 towards the training of pupil song leaders.
- There was unanimous agreement to provide a share to the Pre-School of the ticket sale profits for the Quiz Night after the Pre School sold extra tickets for us helping to make the event viable. This will be £60 (12 tickets) minus the share of the costs associated with 12 additional people. Jon will look up the total number of tickets sold.

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### Live music event

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Michelle has offered to organise a music event in late summer/autumn. The proposed date would be September 10<sup>th</sup>. Michelle will investigate whether Newton Poppleford Pavilion would be a suitable venue, and agreed to ask David Zirker about the availability of the pavilion and playing field on that date. We would also need to ascertain any other costs, including additional insurance cover required to top up the Parish Council's events insurance, and then decide whether it was financially viable. Some council members were present and gave their personal support for the idea of a music event in September (but a decision would have to be taken in a future Parish Council meeting). Should Sidmouth College also be involved?

Michelle also suggested the PTFA could run a stall on 23<sup>rd</sup> July at another music festival she is organising.

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### Summer Fete

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24<sup>th</sup> June was chosen as the date for the Summer Fete. The children's activities/Maypole will be at 6pm, followed by the opening of the fete.

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### Other items

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There was no date on which everyone would be available to help clear out the PTFA shed. The date and time that the largest number of people could make (those not working on Wednesdays) was 13:30 on 20<sup>th</sup> April.

Rachel agreed to write some text about a proposed RSPB event, which Bob said he would pass on to the school and ask whether they would send it to parents.

The Facebook group titled "Newton Poppleford School Parents" has been used increasingly to advertise the times and dates of PTFA events, with some success (in terms of publicity). Bob reminded members that the Facebook group is closed (only administrators can let new members in) and that posts can only be made if they are approved by an administrator (the current PTFA committee members are the administrators). We will follow a strict policy of no mentioning of individual children, no posting of images of children (unless provided by the school with approval for posting them online) and no controversial opinions or discussions. The site is intended to be a calendar of PTFA events, with the additional benefit that users can ask questions about the events.

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**Next Meeting - 7:30pm on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April in the Cannon Inn.**

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