CCRG Meeting Notes V2

7th March 2024, 6.00pm held at the Coddenham Centre

		Action
1.	Present: David McDonnell (DMcD), Debbie McDonnell (DM), Andrew MacPherson (ADM) Chair), Tim Thomas (TT), Nick Mills (NM), Rod Stanley Bell (RSB- Notes), Rob Collins (Rob. C)	
2.	Apologies: Simon Pott, Ray Collins	
3.	Chairman's Introduction. Key Objectives 2024 continued. Good start to the year – raised £1200 for engagement and communication with the help of MSDC and published the first edition of 'Community News' – jointly advertising forthcoming events. First edition well received and a great example of cross CCRG member collaboration (in record time). Next edition September/October. Also, excellent progress in that the Country Club would be now regularly represented by Robbie Collins. General collaboration on events to continue to be encouraged. With a finite local population (and purse) it was in all interest to work together and encourage others too. Along with county devolution plans, there was a continued national push for community collaboration. The community plan needs to continue to be driven forward on all work streams.	All
4.	Notes of previous meeting Accepted.	
5.	Matters Arising/Action Updates N/A	
6.	Financial Report and Accounts, 2024 Budget inc website	
	Locality Grant received and all contributing organisations have paid their voluntary contributions, now scheduled quarterly. Following a request from the Country Club, they are now also considering a single or regular contribution. The second quarterly invoices will be issued on 2 nd April.	тт
7.	Member Organisation Updates	
	 Parish Council Next meeting: 14th March. Agenda items include: Proposed CIL monies to be used to support picnic table replacement at the Rec Possible location for an additional defibrillator Siting of an additional grit bin at the entrance to the Rec The PC's CCRG representative / TVN contributor confirmed. The case for the provision of deer warning signs. While desirable, suggested costs (£1K) prohibitive. 	NM
	 Emergency resilience plan now ready to be lodged. Short inaugural meeting will be arranged to coincide with the next CCRG meeting. 	NM

 New litter bins purchased ready for installation on Needham Road/A140 junction and on the Norwich Road at the beginning of April, when MSDC are available to start emptying them. 	СРС
 Continued desire to attract additional councillors. We have 5 casual vacancies. Ideally want to extend representation in terms of diversity. 	
 Street-lights have now been swapped over to LED. Awaiting SCC confirmation that we can now reduce the time they are on. 	
 Next PC newsletter planned for late June / early July. 	СРС
Community Shop	
Successfully recruited two new shop supervisors. Planning a return to "normal shop hours" week commencing 18 th March.	
Day Foundation.	
Planning to host the Eastern regional meeting of the Almshouses Association at the Coddenham Centre.	DF/ TCC
Coddenham Club	
Club has had a successful period with new members of the committee coming on board. Valentine event successful, Pink Party raised £320 for Breast Cancer Charities. Also a well attended Karaoke night. "King Tubs to Pubs" event also planned. Easter Quiz on 30 th March and Good Friday Ploughmans Lunch planned.	
Gardamau Trust.	
Main issue continues to be the ongoing planning application in the village. A very positive meeting held with the Planning Officer with potentially encouraging outcome. Also continuing to work with the Church Council on St Mary's repairsfundraising.	
St Mary's Church.	
Next event planned on 23 rd March – Easter Egg hunt in the churchyard. Clothes Swap Event planned for 26 th April, details to be confirmed. Church Toddler Group at Coddenham Centre continues to grow with 23 people attending this week.	
Coddenham Centre.	
Activities and good news as TCC continue to raise the profile of Coddenham e.g large (83%) reduction in carbon footprint etc. A challenging year ahead working without a precept contribution for the first time. Thanks to our local charities and benefactors for their continued help. Suffolk County Council will be holding their annual Carbon Charter event at TCC in July.	
New commercial dishwasher installed with the support of CPC.	

	New extension/storage area, volunteer/Trustee construction with materials courtesy of the National Lottery. Main hall space being re-painted, office and meeting room being completed. Now starting exploration on costing to repurpose bowling green for different uses in 2025. Potential opportunity to introduce new activities – outdoor performances, Petanque, Bowling Lane, Cricket Wickets etc, subject to consultation (and funds).	тсс
8.	Parish Community Plan Update, inc Working Groups	
	 Green Spaces Maintenance work well attended, with bramble clearance and hedge trimming at Broom Hill the main focus. New bench besides the path at the top of Mill Hill in memory of David Hudson New circular footpaths leaflet in draft with funding from SCC and MSDC. Parish footpaths critiqued with list of necessary work to go to SCC/landowners Litter pick scheduled for 13th April. 	CPC/ TCC
	 Energy Conservation and Recycling Refuse, reuse and recycle (3Rs) event at TCC on 23rd March. Further 3Rs/Brunch event to coincide with the Great Big Green Week planned for 15th June Central Suffolk Community Energy CIC incorporated, with initial grant funding from the Suffolk Climate Change Partnership. Geographical scope c.80 rural parishes in Central Suffolk and North Ipswich parliamentary constituency post latest boundary changes. 	CPC/ TCC
	 Housing Despite promotion no one has come forward to join the group. Ideas please. 	ALL
	 Hubs While agreement to work together established, documenting initiatives proving slow. Target to complete draft April 24. Aside, there were a number of actions in play, to compensate for the ongoing absence of the 'local pub'. 	ADM
	 Roads and Traffic Pushing hard for Highways/police to enforce current restrictions. Longer term only realistic options are status quo of a gyratory system. Seeking input from High Street residents. 	NM
9.	Environmental Progress	
	Ongoing. See latest SCC audit of TCC (7). Progress now in hand for Gold Charter Award – awaiting full year solar calculation end of April. Grey water recycling research under way. Carbon audit of Country Club still progressing. Shop audit complete – next audit annual audit (?) Publishing footprint details? Church - ?	ADM RC RSB DebbieM
10.	Forthcoming Events/ All	
	Updated by individual organisations. Encourage to make use of the 'forthcoming events' listing page on the community website.	ALL

11.	Communication & Engagement, Website Report Community Website	
	4 th January – 7 th March 4.216 page views. 1.450 users of which 1065 were UK.	
	Top 10 landings Home page	
	History Club Home (user under training hence extra-ordinary visits.) Get your Glad Rags – Coddenham Charity Ball St Mary's 1000 years	
	History Club – Forthcoming Events Mumbai Comes to Coddenham – TCC event St Mary's Home Page	
	Allotment news The Day Foundation Home Page.	
	More activity now being generated by the shop to capitalize on their investment. The Club now regularly advertising, along with St Mary's established use. History Club invited to curate articles and continue to contribute for publication.	RSB
	All encouraged to use the web forum for both Organisational and community benefit. Community News off to a good start (3) – publication subject to funding and being able to offer combined ' news' beyond existing platform(s), reducing the need for hard copy.	RC ALL
	Record of CCRG achievements is not up to date (exceptions Shop & TCC) – further request for updates to David M. Apart from a record of community progress, maintenance will be particularly helpful in supporting the agreed intention to apply for the 'Village of the Year' Award (details anticipated summer).	All
12.	AOB	
	Welcome packs continue to be provided for new residents. Please keep DebbieM advised on movements. Agreed fixed copied to be placed in Shop, Church and TCC. N/A	ALL DebbieM
13.	Date, Time and Venue of Next Meeting 6 th June, 6pm, TCC	To Note