

**Burwash Parish Council
Community and Communications Working Party**

Draft Agenda for Thursday 26th October at 7pm.

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes from the previous meeting
 - i. Accepted at previous full council meeting
3. Updates from previous meetings
 - i. Love Burwash
 - ii. Newsletter (this will be forwarded in draft form before the meeting)
4. Christmas
 - i. Tree
 - ii. Street Lights
5. Grants
To review the Council's grant procedures and make recommendations to the Parish Council.
6. Kipling Festival:
This was first raised as a possibility in 2020 but did not progress because of Covid.
The following notes may be helpful. Deborah Knox Watson responded to a request to hear from others who might be interested:

For children:

Story telling from Jungle Book, and Just So stories, using local actors, and located at Down Meadow or the Pavilion and the field beyond the graveyard behind St Bartholomew's. One morning session, and one afternoon, with soft drinks and sandwiches provided for the children. Maybe they could sing some songs from the Jungle Book film as well!

Competition for school children to paint a character from one of his stories, with a certificate for all who take part and a prize within age groups for the 'best' picture/model.

For adults:

Some of Kipling's Poems which focus on the countryside and local references, and extracts from his books, or from his biography. These could be broken up with music - there are some of his poems set for piano and voice, or we could be a bit more adventurous and include something more substantial by his contemporaries - string quartet or small orchestra, but that would be limited by the venue.

The film 'My Boy Jack' is worth a watch ... and there are others based on his books, such as Kim, with Errol Flynn, so we could be looking at a film season! But of course BLM needs to be taken into

D KW: I think it's a lovely idea and could be great fun and a great way of getting back to normal community life again. Couple of thoughts sprang (sprung?) into my mind - what about a quotation treasure hunt around the village for both adults and children. There are lots of ways this could be done, but I was thinking of a geocache approach. Potentially this is something which could become a permanent feature for visitors to the village to enjoy.

Also, I think there are a few people in the village who have written records of life when the Kiplings lived here, including stories of meeting them, working for them etc. I can't think at the moment who those people are, but can find out. My thought was whether there is enough material to make a display somewhere.

Are you thinking of involving the Kipling Society at all?

7. Date of next meeting to be confirmed.