**Minutes of the Garden Party Meeting Wednesday 8th June 2022 7.00pm**

Present: E. Howard (chair), J.Hall, S.Satchell, P.Carroll, A.Mendelson, , A. Mendelson, Fr. C. Yule. T. Forrester

Apologies :- D.Cope, E.Brindley, T. Moult, M. Moult, A. Heath

Fr. Chris opened the meeting with a prayer.

The Date for the Open Day and Garden Party is set for **SATURDAY 24th SEPTEMBER 2022**

1. Paul and Angela have been successful in selling almost all of the plants to support this year’s fundraising and hopes to have raised in excess of £300 to include in the Garden Party accounts. Well done Paul & Angela!
2. Garage Sale. Alan will be sending a message to Fr. Chris regarding a reminder about donating items for the garage sale for the parish bulletin. All items are bought at the discretion on the buyer and no liability will be held for faulty or dangerous items.
3. Big Draw. Tony & Mary have asked for a list of prizes for the Big Draw which are to be printed on the tickets. These will be sold in books of 4 tickets at 25p a ticket (£1 a book).

First prize is use of the Castle’s new low ropes course for 2 hours.

Second prize is use of the Castle’s indoor climbing wall for 2 hours.

Third prize is a £50 Denstone Farm Shop Voucher

Fourth Prize is a Thai meal for 2 from Benny and The White Hart.

Fifth Prize is a £25 M&S Voucher

Sixth Prize is 2 bottles of wine

+ other prizes on the day

1. Bottle Stall. Tina offered to help with the labelling of the bottles and folding of the tickets for the stall if necessary.
2. Publicity. It was agreed that there needed to be a ‘save the date’ notice advertised as soon as possible, which will highlight the opportunities on offer on the day. Sandra will arrange for this initial publicity to be posted on Castle, parish and village websites / social media.
3. Donations. Fr Chris agreed for Ed to speak at the end of this weekend’s Masses in order to ask for promises of support and prizes from parishioners.
4. Refreshments. We still need one person to take the lead on arranging the refreshments on the day. Ed will appeal for support from the parishioners after this weekend’s Mass.
5. Kenelm activities on the day will include low ropes, climbing, archery and crate stacking. Roof top Castle tours and Church tours will also be available.
6. Ed has approached the schools for their support in bringing groups of children. None have yet confirmed. Ed’s school will lead the Maypole and Ed will ask Stella for support. Alan will also ask Jean Riley if she is willing to support. After child demonstration, adults will be invited to take part!
7. Johnny to communicate with Robin and Amy White regarding a stall to show their wire angels/fairies. Will they donate a prize for the Big Draw? Johnny to ask.
8. Edwin to approach Alton Towers for support / donation / a stall on the day.
9. Patrick to approach U3A and Cheadle Community Band to perform on the day.

Next meeting to discuss moving forward and feedback will be on Wednesday 13th July at 7.00pm.

Fr Chris closed the meeting with a prayer at 8.00pm.