

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2018

PRESENT

Chris Thompson (Chair) Ian Stewart (Treasurer) Sheila Charlton (Secretary) Jo Angear Joyce
Burt Bryan Naish Rhys Clatworthy

APOLOGIES Karena Mayhew

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 10TH SEPTEMBER 2018

The Minutes having been circulated were signed as a true record of that meeting.

MATTERS ARISING

Data Protection Act - We have not received Nick and Ruth forms and the Chairman asked the Secretary to send a reminder to them.

EXTEND

A letter was sent to Sue Wicks stating that as a show of goodwill we would only charge Extend for one of the cancelled bookings as agreed at the September meeting.

TREASURER'S REPORT

September	Income	£2587	Expenditure	£4051.74
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Our electricity contract expired on 31st August 2018 and the Treasurer has paid the final bill under the old contract of £855.15 plus the £1.00 they have been charging under direct debit. The new direct debit is now £770.85.

Water supply is now with Castle Water who have taken over South East Water. The Treasurer stated that we had underpaid South East Water £50.00 as they did not put us on debit and give the £50 discount they offered. He is in discussion with their accounts department and will be reporting them to The Advertising Standards Authority for their "false offer" which they now say meant signing up for a two year period and we had to pay them the sewerage charge as well!! Nothing about this in any of the advert or papers they sent out.

The grant from Herstmonceux Parish Council for £2,500 has been approved in principle and we need to finalise what we actually want to do with the money.

Joyce and Jo will draw up new dishwasher instructions to replace the old ones.

Kitchen fittings - the Treasurer will endeavour to contact Karen Hathaway A visit to Wickes had been fruitless.

The Treasurer has received the audited accounts for 2017 from Andrew Phillips and these have been sent to the Charity Commission and Herstmonceux Parish Council for their records.

The Treasurer had circulated to members details of hiring a card machine for receipt of payments only. After discussion it was proposed by the Chairman that we hire a card machine for a year to see if we would benefit by having such a machine. All agreed.

CARETAKER'S REPORT

Bookings

2018 Value of bookings for September is £40830 to date..

2019 Value of bookings at the end of September is £35329.

Electricity Usage over the last 4 -week period was £321.52

Waste disposal - normal collection

CIO

This to be put on the November agenda.

FUTURE HALL FEES

Ian and Rhys had discussed this matter and had circulated members with details of the proposed new hall fees. It was agreed by all members that we adopt these to come into affect on 1st January 2019. It was left to Rhys and Sheila to inform all hall users of this decision.

UPDATE ON HALL FRONT AREAS

Although the Secretary had sent letters to Angears and Mick Goodsall to date no reply had been received as to the starting date of the work. Suggested time during the Christmas period or early in the Spring. Jo said she would follow this up and report back at the November

FUND RAISING QUIZ FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER 2018

It looks as if nine teams (9x6=54) would be attending the Quiz. Jo and her team had all the catering for 80 people in hand. There would be a raffle.

MAINTENANCE TO THE VILLAGE HALL

Cooker It was decided that there would be a short meeting on Monday 29th October (6.00 pm) to discuss the matter of the cooker further.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Secretary reported on the Sussex Village & Community Building Conference she had attended on 3rd October, from which the subject of the hall having a Hallmark. Secretary to pursue and report back at the November meeting.

Sunday 11th November 2018 at the village hall.

Service 5.30 pm followed at 6.00 pm by food and singing entertainment.

Ian to get in touch with the VIC to arrange the transportation of their display. Some of the steel figures would be transported too.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 12th November 2018 starting at 6.00 pm