

MINUTES OF THE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 11TH MARCH 2019

PRESENT

Chris Thompson (Chair) Sheila Charlton (Secretary) Ian Stewart (Treasurer) Jo Angear Joyce Burt
Karena Mayhew and Rhys Clatworthy

APOLOGIES Bryan Naish Nick Porter and Ruth Dicken

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11TH FEBRUARY 2019

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

MATTERS ARISING

The cooker's cabling has now been boxed in

There has been no new from the Secretary's letter to the Mrs A Lacy Tate Trust asking for a grant for the stage flooring.

TREASURER'S REPORT

February	Income	£3,436.00	Expenditure	£6,113.75
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Business Stream - adjusted sewage bill not yet received.

Battery Recycling Box is en situ.

The treasurer has heard from Nick Porter re Basement Pumps who unfortunately have not replied to his email and messages.

CARETAKER'S REPORT

Bookings

2019 The value of bookings at the end of February were £39,585. There has been an increase of the month £321.00 and £1358 up on the same time last year

2020 The booking value £12622. The caretaker will be including provisional bookings for the regular users quite soon.

Electricity Usage over the last 4-week period was £887.77

Maintenance

- 3 tables have been damaged
- Cable on new oven has been cover3ed

Action

- Unfortunate three collapsible tables had been damaged -(replacement would be £141 each). Looking to solve the problem by drilling nut & bolt. Karena mentioned that she had experienced a similar p4roblem at her place of work and would contact Rhys with details to whom they went to mend the problem

- The second gate on the patio has been installed
- Contact has been made with Edincare Pumps of Hemel Hempstead for a second opinion on whether the present pumps are adequate and they have suggested that a survey be arranged - this is in hand
- Pre school had a visit from Food Safety/Health and Safety. We have a copy. No action needed from the Hall

Waste disposal - normal

CAR PARKING

As we are all aware it was agreed some time back that we would allow 12 spaces to be available for vehicles carrying out work at the nearby building site. Unfortunately of late this agreement has been abused by trade vehicles parking in the rest of the village car park especially on a Tuesday when View Craft have their meetings. As was mentioned at our last meeting Ian and Rhys every week look at the hall bookings and decide whether alternative arrangements can be made for visiting vehicles. Ian and Chris have been in touch with the site manager about the situation. It was agreed that Ian would do an early morning visit on Tuesday (12th March) and look at the situation and report back. It was also agreed that Ian Chris and Rhys have a meeting with the site manager to see if the situation can be put right in some way. They will report back at the next meeting.

We have also received a complaint about car parking from the surgery. Chris had phoned the surgery and told them that we would be having a committee meeting and would report back to them of any decisions made.

A suggestion was made that we have signs put around the car parking area to the effect that this was a private car park. This to be pursued.

CIO

The treasurer reported that to pursue Charitable Incorporated Organisation status, (CIO) is very time consuming and walked the meeting through the ramifications of what would be involved. However he explained that now the access road had been brought to a conclusion there were really no benefits in pursuing this status. The meeting agreed not to further this matter.

FUTURE GATHERINGS & FUND RAISING

As we are not able to secure the services of the "Race Meeting man" for 27th April this event has now been cancelled. It was left that Clare (HATS) be contacted to see if the man could do any other dates and come back to the next meeting with those.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Suggestion was made that the Battery Recycling Box be re-sited in view of the children visiting the hall.

It had been brought to the attention of the committee that the local Conservative Party had taken a

photograph of the village hall which was included in their recent distribution leaflet. It was left to Ian to contact them stating that it would have been courteous if they had asked our permission so to do.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 1st April 2019 at 6.00 pm