

**MINUTES OF THE HERSTMONCEUX VILLAGE HALL
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD
ON MONDAY 14TH MARCH 2022 AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

In opening the meeting, the Chairman welcomed Mary Lovell who will be the Chinese Brush Painting group's representative to this committee.

PRESENT Chris Thompson (Chairman), Ian Stewart (Treasurer), Sheila Charlton (Secretary), Jo Angear, Lisa Taplin, Bryan Naish Sue Wicks and Mary Lovell.

APOLOGIES Liz Ford Philippa Reid and Bob Ball

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 21ST FEBRUARY 2022

The Minutes were accepted by those present with one amendment, as a true record of that meeting, having been circulated to members before the meeting.

MATTERS ARISING -from previous meetings:

a) Chairs

It was agreed that all the chairs be cleaned. Thereafter an inspection of the chairs would be made to see how many need to be replaced and thus an order then would be placed. The Treasurer circulated to those present details of the ranges available, and it was noted that the prices varied from £28.00 to £60.00 plus VAT per chair.

b) Defibrillator

Awaiting the estimate for the electrical connection. Will chase but depending on this and the Treasurer has a number of types of machines lined up. It will have to be located by the office window so additional signage will be required.

c) Kissing Gate

Unfortunately, the kissing gate appears to have disappeared, but the Treasurer will be seeing Mick Goodsell to ascertain where it might be hiding.

d) Wedding charge

It was agreed that a charge of £600 for Parishioners and £750 for Non-Parishioners be charged for weddings as from 1st April 2022. This Main Hall charge would include setting up Friday evening, the whole of Saturday and Sunday for clearing up as well as the use of the kitchen facilities.

TREASURE'S REPORT

FEBRUARY 2022

Income £6053.99 (includes Omicron Top Up of £2667)

Expenditure £3234.99 (includes SSE £1503.65; Electrical PAT testing and repairs £306.25)

Business rate will be collected in March 2022 but an allocation of at least half of these in the accounts as an "unpaid cheque"

Fencing has been erected behind the bus shelter to stop children “shortcutting” down the slope by the Small Hall.

A new projector screen has been acquired for the Main Hall at a cost of £89.99

The dishwasher has been repaired.

Electricity to date estimated since last bill is at around £2.500 so hopefully keeping under reasonable control. We are locked in with SSE for three years so any recent increases will not affect us.

The dimmer lights in the Small Hall are still not working due to the inability to get a replacement box.

The treasurer had circulated to members details of an update on our computer. Office computer to replace and update about £750 plus VAT. It was agreed by the meeting to accept this.

HEATING OF THE VILLAGE HALL

The Treasurer reported that all hall hirers were turning up the heat to 20 degrees when in use and turning this down to 10 degrees on their departure.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Monday 9th May 2022 at 6.00 pm in the lounge of the village hall.