

## MEDBOURNE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

MINUTES FROM MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 9<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2013

### **PRESENT**

Committee:

Karl Jenkins - Chairman (KJ)

Carolyn Frostwick - Treasurer (CF)

Amy Hayward-Paine - Secretary (AHP)

Georgina Hardman-Ward - Bookings Clerk (GH-W)

Jane Boulter (JB)

Public:

Laurie Smith and Sue Smith

### **1. Apologies for absence**

Wendy Stevens, Nickie Philbin

Stephanie Dunckley did not attend

### **2. Minutes**

Approved by KJ and seconded by CF

### **3. Treasurer's Report**

CF presented the Treasurer's Report.

The Village Hall received a cheque for £1000 from the Truck Pull which was presented to KJ at the ceremony in Harborough on 26th November.

We agreed before the Truck Pull that the Village Hall would make good the loss suffered by the fundraising for the Hollow as their long standing booking of the Hall on the bank holiday Monday was cancelled.

In 2012 the Bank Holiday Weekend teas in aid of the Hollow raised £512, this year they raised only £324 from the Sunday Teas. On such a beautiful day there could have been a reasonable expectation that takings would be higher this year. I propose that we add 10% to the 2012 total and pass over a cheque for £240.00 bringing this year's total to £564.

Seconded by AHP and KJ. All Agreed.

Laurie Smith thanked the committee for their support and donation.

The other fundraiser in November was the Clothes Swap which had a disappointing turnout but still managed to take £255 on the evening.

Approximately £100 was spent on refreshments etc. Leaving a profit for the evening in the region of £150.00.

We are now almost three quarters of the way through the year and taking the above into account, we currently have a surplus in the region of £2,000 for the year to date.

It was flagged that the WI have claimed to have sent two cheques for payment however only one has been received, with neither Susie Garfield, CF

or GH-W having seen or banked a second cheque. GH-W has left a message with Ann Coon, WI treasurer, to this effect, advising her cancel the cheque.

#### **4. Truck Pull**

KJ has spoken to Paul Polito re the Truck Pull who confirmed he will support the VH's decision to go ahead or not. Letter to be written to GG regarding his involvement going forward. CF asked whether the VH committee had the right to decide if access could or could not be given to the VH grounds.

KJ suggested whether the PC could ask the village as to whether it should go ahead. If it goes ahead an independent committee should be formed to manage it.

AHP to draft a letter to the PC on behalf of KJ.

#### **5. Film Night**

The committee still thinks this would be appealing to the village. KJ to progress with research. GH-W has left messages for Phoenix Films.

JB has a potential alternative contact and will advise GH-W of the details.

#### **6. Clothes Swap**

It was agreed that the event may work better in the Spring and would be easier to manage now the format has been agreed. A potential date would be after April half term.

#### **7. Maintenance**

Two quotes received for the ramp. KJ to ask NP to ask for advice on getting a grant as the costs are prohibitive.

Roof and gutter needs quotes; KJ advised that planning is not required for maintenance. Also, the door frame requires an urgent repair; GH-W to provide a quote from Jolly Ward and also for wooden cover for damp around walls.

#### **8. First Aid Event**

NP did not attend the meeting so was not able to provide an update.

GH-W commented that about £50 was made. Some of those taking part felt that a certificate was needed at the end and that the training was too general.

CF suggested that St Johns Ambulance could use it as a permanent venue

#### **14. AOB**

##### Cleaning

This will happen over the Christmas period. Cleaner to liaise with GH-W re suitable dates and times.

##### Door Lock

As per last month's discussion re having better access to a key, KJ to purchase the masterkey lock, which can be affixed by the caretaker

##### Dog training

KJ and GH-W advised this will now not be taking place

##### Fundraising events

- **Scalextric:** CF has been researching the Scalextric event and already has two quotes. CF was unsure about how much money the event will

raise however it would certainly help to raise awareness of the VH; it was noted that the same company also run Casino nights.

- Race Night: JB suggested a race night might be a fun and effective fundraiser. JB to look into it.
- Antiques Roadshow: Sue Smith suggested an antiques roadshow event with Mark Gilding and Tim Thornton one Saturday. KF to investigate with Mark Gilding and AHP with Tim Thornton.

#### Soup afternoon

CF to ask local walking group (i.e. MH) if they would attend. Other advertising and posters could be put up. AHP to action this.

It was suggested that this could take place on 25<sup>th</sup> January, with a walk to the Hollow afterwards. If the Hollow planting goes ahead in March this could be an alternative date.

GH-W suggested that chef Liz Moore might make soup for a fee. GH-W to check.

#### Wedding in May

GH-W confirmed that the couple who have booked a Wedding in May have requested to paint the hall and clean it for a reduced fee of £150. This was agreed by the committee so long as the work to be carried out is agreed in advance.

#### Fee for Consultation Weekend

GH-W asked whether a fee should be charged for the recent Drayton Road consultation weekend. As this was agreed by the Parish Council it was suggested by the committee that perhaps Wards could be asked to provide some general maintenance such as cleaning the gutters.

#### Sunday Teas

The committee agreed that they would host Sunday Teas on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June

#### Plant Fayre

It was highlighted by GH-W that a Wedding has been booked at the same time as Plant Fayre. It is a long-term booking so should still go ahead. JB and Rebekah Budenberg discussing the issue with GH-W.

#### 70's Disco

The committee noted that this is planned for 1<sup>st</sup> February

#### Planning

CF raised that we could still ask for a contribution to the VH as part of the 106 Planning rule for the proposed Ward development. As three people voted at the last meeting KJ to ask Planning how we would go about this.

### **15. Public Question Time**

No questions from the public

### **16. Date of next meeting**

The next Village Hall Committee meeting will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> February at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm