

Minutes of AGM held on Monday 24th April 2017

PRESENT

Committee:

Karl Jenkins (KJ) – Chairman
Carolyn Frostwick (CF) – Treasurer
Amy Hayward-Paine (AHP) - Secretary
Bill Barrie (BB) – Bookings Clerk
Rebekah Budenberg (RB) – Pre-School representative
Lyn Easton (LE) – Parish Council representative

David Tuffs (DT) – Maintenance support

1. Apologies for Absence

None submitted

2. Minutes of AGM 18.04.16

Approved by RB and seconded by CF

3. Chairman's Report

It goes without saying that this committee being completely made up of volunteers, works hard to organise and promote new moneymaking schemes to extend the life of the hall. At this point I would like to thank them for their endless patience and enthusiasm; this also includes Alex Doe for her help with the caretaking of the Village Hall.

I would also like to thank the Parish Council for the continued support of the Village Hall.

Please find below a brief summary of the past present and projected works to the Village Hall.

Works now completed to date:

We have undertaken a vast amount of work; of note most recently are the moving of the boundary and fencing, also laying turf to this area.

All that remains is a final clearing up which will soon be completed.

Projects going forward:

A memory bench has been donated to the Village Hall and this needs to be installed. The plans for the new extension and list of renovation facilities are being worked up at the moment.

Fundraising for the renovation of the main hall is underway and Rebekah Budenberg and Carolyn Frostwick are managing the grants process for this.

We are introducing an Adult computer club and providing other internet support on designated Mondays.



4. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year to 31 March 2017. The accounts for the day to day running of the Hall show a deficit for the year of £210.75.

Income has increased since the previous year with additional bookings from the Neighbourhood Planning Committee, and the Euro election boosting funds. We also received two anonymous donations to cover the cost of a replacement fridge, which is much appreciated.

The costs of the maintenance of the Hall have increased this year and include repairs to the door, the flagpole and the roof.

In November the Village Hall Committee took over the Defibrillator Fund and the balance of the funds held were transferred to the Village Hall. These funds are ring fenced in the accounts and it has been agreed that they will be used for the ongoing maintenance of the equipment and training for future users. The funds should be sufficient to cover several years after which time the Village Hall Committee have agreed to fund the ongoing provision of the defibrillator.

In January 2017, the Committee launched a major restoration appeal. Having pledged £15,000 of the Village Hall reserves, donations from local residents have reached £13,545 which will be enhanced by £3,300 once the Gift Aid relief has been claimed. A further £691 was raised from fundraising events.

Our initial approach to the Heritage Lottery Fund was very well received and the Grants Officer who visited encouraged us to apply for major funding as he felt the project was worthy of support. There is a long way to go but works has started on preparing a detailed inventory of everything required. It is hoped that the application for first round funding will be submitted before the end of the year. A successful application will result in a full time professional project manager being appointed and moving the project forward.

At 31 March the funds held are as follows:

 Current account:
 £5,284,76

 Cash:
 £23.00

 Appeal Fund:
 £14,236.05

 Defibrillator Fund:
 £2,481.63

 MHBS Capital Account:
 £31,095.31

 TOTAL FUNDS:
 £53,120.75

5. Election of Officers

All committee members re-stood, and were approved by the other committee members. LE will remain as PC representative unless roles on this committee change.

6. Election of Chairman

KJ re-stood as Chairman and had full approval of the committee. CF proposed and AHP seconded



7. AOB

A Memorial bench has been donated. The committee agreed that a curved bench would work the best in the area designated, which is above the newly lawned area where the boundary fence has been moved. KJ to obtain quotes for the installation and securing of the bench. The restoration fund will be moved to a higher interest rate account at the Harborough Building Society – CF.

8. Date of next committee meeting April 2018