

Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 19th February, 2018

Present:

Committee: Carolyn Frostwick, Treasurer (CF)

Bill Barrie, Bookings Clerk (BB) Lyn Easton, Parish Council Rep (LE) Amy Hayward-Paine, Secretary (AHP)

Rebekah Budenberg (RB)

Members of the public: Tom and Ann Price

David Tuffs

1.	Apologies for Absence Karl Jenkins Stacey Brindle Eva Brookes	Action
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting The Minutes of the Meeting held in January were agreed as a full and accurate record of the meeting. Proposed by LE; seconded by BB	
3.	Matters from previous meeting Kitchen door bolt DT has now fixed this Caretaker Still no interest in the role; Stacey has kindly posted the advert at the Sports Club Monday Teas LE reported that these are going well with around 10 people attending each week. Gary Chisholm has offered a small bookcase for the ongoing book swap; the Committee would like to thank him and take him up on the offer AHP to re-post information about the event around the village and in the Parish magazine.	
4.	Treasurers Report CF Presented the Treasurer's report. Going in to the last few weeks of the year we are currently showing a deficit of	

£1,502. We may end the year with an overall deficit due to the heavy repair

expenditure this year. **Restoration Fund Appeal** We have received a cheque for £224.13 from the Great Easton Garden Society as a donation to the Restoration fund. The Society has recently disbanded, and the remaining members decided to donate the retained funds to four charities including both Village Halls. On behalf of the Committee I would like to pass on our sincere thanks for the donation. The Appeal Fund stands at £13,860 after taking into account planning fees etc. The Village Hall committee pledged £15,000 from its reserves and we will reclaim Gift Aid Tax of £3,322 so the total pot is £32,182. We need to put 5% of the build costs which will be in the region of £42,000. A further £10,000 is required. Whilst we could stretch our contribution to £20,000 we must retain some reserves for the future. So we need to raise at least £5,000 more over the coming months. We have not heard anything from HLF and are not expecting to until 31 March 2018. In the meantime, we need to keep fundraising as much as possible and keep publicising the ongoing need for donations. The Village Hall Committee would like to thank Sheelagh Shaen-Carter for all her hard work working on the plans and with HDC. **Maintenance and Repairs** We should delay having a water meter fitted as with the build it might have to be moved and thus incur a cost. LE to call Anglian Water to check where the LE meter is. Leaking roof

5. KJ was going to speak to Tim Polio to get this fixed; there should not be a cost CF involved as he did the original repair. CF to chase KJ. Disabled Flush and Urinals flush water heater Disabled Flush to be monitored; men's urinals should be left on for hygiene **AHP** reasons. We need to get a plumber to the building asap. AHP to advise the details of her plumber. Pruning The rose shrubs need to be pruned; LE will look at this. LE Bins CF to buy the voucher for the Green Bin collection CF 6. Defibrillator RB will check this before March. RB 7. Funds still need to be raised for the Appeal Coffee Morning AHP suggested a well-publicised coffee morning held in the Village Hall. The date that has been suggested is 21st April, 10-12pm **AHP**

AHP to draft a notice and circulate amongst the Committee. It would also

need to go into the Parish Magazine.

Committee to ask Sheelagh Shaen-Carter for a copy of the plans to display in the VH.

8. Events

Plant Favre

This will take place on 12th May.

School team manage publicity and manage the kitchen. VH volunteers needed to sell produce on the day. Cakes will not need to be donated on the day by the committee.

Plant lessons

Alastair Peak is a gardener and might be interested. Committee to look at this as a possible event for the Autumn.

Pledge Night

KJ mentioned the possibility of a Pledge Night. He will look into it with plans to go live in the Autumn.

Potential additional future options

Film night

Christmas Disco

Music quiz

Race night/casino night

9. AOB

Safe

The Parish Clerk is organising a Parish Council safe.

Carpet outside by storage area

BB to remove this if it has not been done already.

Scout Shed

RB asked whether this is now occupied – to be checked

Great British Clean

This will take place at 10am on 3rd March. Is there an opportunity to sell tea and coffee?

n.b since the meeting took place, the date of this event has been moved due to bad weather.

Towel dispensers

This are not being used and are still in their packaging. Could they be sold on eBay?

History booklet

RB flagged that there may be an opportunity for a Historical booklet to be drafted; CF to discuss this with RB. Mick Cooper would produce the booklet for free and then the VH could sell it for fundraising. CF to give him a call to discuss format and style of the book. Could the VH support it as part of the historical element of the Appeal?

CF

KJ

10. Date and time of the next meeting There being no further business, the meeting ended at 8.50pm. The date of the next meeting is 19th March 7.30pm.