

North Wootton Village Hall Committee Meeting

Minutes

Location: North Wootton Village Hall

Date: Thursday 12th March 2020 Time: 19:00

Attendees: Dennis Blackmore-Chair, Neil Pearce-Secretary, Wendy Border-Finance/Bookings, Sarah Simmonds, Will Border, Doreen Taylor, Bob Angell, Jason Harper.

1. Apologies- Bridget, Donna, Antony, Kier, Colin, John.
2. Approval of minutes from previous meeting held on Thursday 13th February.
3. Matters Arising

A leak in the guttering has been repaired. The committee conveyed their thanks to Bob for doing this.

Wendy passed on to the committee that the Indian Curry Night had yet again been a great success.

Wendy also informed the committee that the company that the new chairs have been purchased from have refunded us £75.00 due to the damaged chairs that had been delivered.

Dennis suggested that we get somebody to do an architectural drawing of the proposal put forward in the previous meeting for a new porch on the front entrance to see if it is in keeping with the building. Bob said he will look into this.

A quote is pending from Nurse Builders for a new pathway around the hall. Will informed the committee that there is of yet no decision by either NCC or the PC as to who might put in a donation to the cost in a partnership bid.

Wendy reminded the committee we also about the need to build the storage area at the rear of the village hall. Nurse Builders have provided a quote but we need another two before making a decision. Bob also reminded the committee that this really needs to be done when we have better weather. We are hoping to aim for a June completion.

Updates from Sub-Committees.

4. Finance

Wendy handed out the latest accounts sheets for the Committee to read.

The money has been received for the hire of the hall for polling day (£250.00)

We are still waiting for a cheque from the UK Power network as payment for having the electricity pole on the village hall land.

We did not sell all of the alcohol during the Indian Curry Night, however we are well stocked up for future events.

Wendy remarked that we need to purchase an alarm for the disabled toilet.

We no longer have access of the bingo machine from South Wootton Hall. Wendy has purchased a new machine at the cost of £235.00.

5. Maintenance

Bob reported that the team are keeping up to date with general odd jobs.

It was highlighted that the middle toilet is leaking. Wendy said that it needs to be replaced going forward.

It has also been highlighted that the floor in the main doorway is sometimes wet. This may be caused by wind blowing rain under the door. Bob to investigate.

Bob remarked that we need a doorstep on the side door. These are approx £40.00. Committee to purchase one as soon as possible.

6. Bookings

Wendy reported that bookings are going well with Sunday's proving popular for various gatherings. We are still receiving numerous enquiries for new bookings/events.

Weightwatchers wish to move to Tuesday mornings.

Another new booking has been taken for a choir.

The MS Society wish to book the first Tuesday of every month.

7. Events.

Dennis read out a statement updating events on the behalf of Antony. The committee thanked Antony for all his hard work in organising numerous events and this will be passed onto him.

The present situation means that many future events (especially ones pending in the near future are likely to be postponed as it seems likely the government will ban all public gatherings). *

* This has since come to pass. All events/bookings will be cancelled until further notice.

AOB.

We await further instructions from the government concerning holding public gatherings and events.

Since the meeting the situation has obviously escalated and so there will be no events etc until the situation has changed.

Date of the next meeting:

Due to the current situation this will now be TBC.

Meeting concluded 20:00.