

North Wootton Village Hall Management Committee

Meeting Thursday 14th July 2022- 7pm

Apologies: Antony, Bob, Kerry & Sarah.

Attendees: Dennis Bishop (Chairman) Neil Pearce (Secretary) Wendy Border (Treasurer) Colin Smith, Will Border, Jason Harper, Bridget Nurse

- 1 Approval of minutes by Dennis of the previous meeting held on the 18/05/22.

2 Matters Arising

De-fib has been fitted.

We discussed increasing rental hire for the hall at the previous meeting. Wendy has looked into South Wootton's charges to compare with ours. It was decided by the committee that we will review this matter in the New Year.

The survey by Greenscape Energy regarding the suitability of the building for solar panels has been completed. Bob to update the committee at the next meeting.

The repair of the faulty ceiling lights has been completed by Jason Harris.

The grant application for the proposed new porch has been completed and submitted by Will. Letters of support have also been sent with the application. If the grant is accepted the plan is to have the porch completed by the end of the year. Bob to inform the builder if/when the grant is approved.

3 Updates from Sub-Committees.

Finance

Wendy handed out copies of the latest financial figures. She explained our accounts are looking very healthy with continued income generated from hirers, bookings and West Norfolk Wins lottery payments (of which we have received £251 so far), along with the village markets, book sales, Flea markets and bingo. We now have a very healthy balance of over £40,000 in our account.

Maintenance

Bob to update the committee at the next meeting.

Events

In Antony's absence Neil passed on that the upcoming Village market is this coming Saturday. Volunteers welcome on the day and to help set up on Friday evening please.

Neil asked if committee members might be able to donate some small prizes for the raffle, to which all present agreed

Bookings

Wendy reported a steady stream of bookings as the VH continues to be a popular venue for parties, events and hirers. There are some people on the waiting list to use the hall and we have 2 bookings for next year already. There is also the possibility of a wedding party booking (TBC).

4 AOB

Will to follow up on Sarah's suggestion from the previous meeting concerning having some signs put up directing people to the village hall. It was suggested one to be situated at the junction of Castle Rising Road and Ling Common Road, and another at the junction of Castle Rising Road and Priory Lane. Neil supplied Will with some photos of signs at nearby locations as examples of what are proposed. Will to contact the Highways Dept to see if this is possible, although we would probably have to pay for them ourselves if they are in agreement that we can have them. Will to update at the next meeting.

No other business.

5 Date of next meeting

Thursday 8th September 2022 at 7pm. This will be our AGM, which will be open to the general public. Our regular meeting will take place afterwards and will not be open to the public.

It was agreed to advertise our AGM better this year so that people are informed that it is taking place.

Meeting concluded 19:45.