

North Wootton Village Hall Management Committee.

Meeting-10/9/26

Agenda

Apologies: Anne, Colin, Cedric.

Attendees:

Dennis Blackmore (Chairman)

Neil Pearce (Secretary)

Antony Lamb (Events Co-Ordinator)

Wendy Border (Finance & Bookings)

Will Border

Lucy Lemon

Rachel Williamson

Jason Harper

Kip Baker

Zehra Elphick

John & Pauline Marsahll-Grint.

Approval of previous Minutes.

Dennis (Chairman) put forward and approved the previous meeting minutes. The previous months AGM Minutes were also approved.

Matters Arising.

None.

Finance Report.

Nothing major to report. Latest financial figures were handed out by Wendy. Finances continue to be healthy. Wendy has received an invoice for the tree/hedge cutting which should be taking place on Friday (11/09/26).

Maintenance report.

Nothing major to report. As Wendy pointed out the rest of the hedges are scheduled to be cut back. Will informed the committee that all fire checks have been completed this month. We are still looking for someone to take on the role of maintenance officer.

Events Report.

Antony reported that the last Christmas market made a profit of £483.00. The next VH market is on 19th September.

The Yard Sale proved incredibly popular with 41 households signing up to take part with another 4 having tables in the VH. Over 200 maps were handed out and incredibly the kitchen sold out of food within 2hrs! A profit of £447.92 was made for the VH. Antony suggested we should plan to schedule a couple of these sales a year as they would seem to be very popular. It was suggested that next time we would do it from 10am-1pm. Also, we would offer more food options or perhaps invite local food vendors. Antony & Wendy thanked all who helped to make it so successful. Positive feedback from the public was very encouraging.

The latest Curry Evening was cancelled.

This coming years Christmas Fayre will be the 10th Anniversary.

Bookings.

Wendy reported that bookings continues to be strong. We have several bookings already for next year.

The yoga classes are back for Mondays.

We also have a new regular booking for Art classes.

Wine Appreciation society will be using the VH.

AOB

Dennis produced the template ceramic mug that we intend to sell at the Christmas Fayre this year with the mulled wine. We have a VH seasonal inspired design which will be printed on the mug.

Dennis has received four different quotes for air-con installation at the VH which are all different in pricing structure and differing levels of detail in what the work would consist of. Dennis has requested more time to study these in depth before presenting his findings at the next committee meeting. Will is also looking into the feasibility of getting a grant for this. Letters from users of VH will be forwarded outlining the need for air conditioning as part of the grant application. He will update further at the next meeting.

We still need to sell the shed that was purchased. As reported in the last minutes we are no longer going ahead with the storage shed at the rear of the VH. Hopefully we can recover some of the initial costs. Bob Angell still has some screws and instructions for the shed. Dennis to follow up with Bob to get these back.

No other business was discussed.

Meeting concluded at 20:00.

Date of Next Meeting.

Thursday 8th October at 7pm.