

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 APRIL 2007

Present: As on attached list

Apologies were received from Hugh Tarran, Tony and Lucinda Tottle, Dhushy Mahendran and Frances Day.

The Minutes of the last AGM held on 25 April 2006 were approved and signed.

MATTERS ARISING

Heating: This was much improved.

Constitution: Dick had spoken to the Charity Commissioners who had advised that the Hall could be used "as long as it is not to the detriment of the inhabitants as judged by the Committee Trustees" and did not recommend that any wording was changed.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (See attached)

FINANCIAL REPORT

Dick on presenting his report for the year up to 31.12.06 thanked Ron Paterson for his help in the preparation of the accounts.

Direct Income v Running Costs to 31.12.06

The Hall had made a surplus on the direct income. Rentals had been raised in September and it was hoped that charges would not have to rise in the near future.

Dick went through the accounts noting that the Ball had made a profit of £800; there had been two weddings. There was now some £12,000 on deposit with invoices due to the Hall of £1578 that were not yet paid.

Ann Horner suggested a contingency sum of some £300 to £400 be factored in every 2 years so that the wooden floor was properly maintained and it was agreed this should be kept up to standard.

A loan of £2000 had been repaid, leaving the only loan outstanding to the Parish Council due on 18.7.09.

In reply to a question from Pauline as to how the costs worked Dick replied that village users were charged at a lower rate and Maggie added that there were published rates which were charged mainly in 4-hour or full day slots.

Dick reported that £2000 had been ring-fenced for the Play Area. David Bruce-Gardyne asked if any major expenses were anticipated, and Dick replied there should

not be any large outlay although there was the storage issue, the boxing in of the oil tank and eventually new chairs and tables. The Parking Area needed improvement and was briefly discussed. Ann Horner suggested a suitable material.

Licences

Up to this point Dick had arranged Temporary Event Notices (TEN) for the sale of alcohol costing £21 per event, but had now obtained an Annual Premises Licence at a cost of £70. He also had a Personal Licence and was trained as a Premises Supervisor to instruct others. The only limit was we could not change venues so a TEN would have to be applied for when an event was held e.g. in someone's home. Donations towards alcohol were illegal without the appropriate licence.

VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Celia said we had always worked to a priority list. At present there was the outside project and play area; also outside storage. Work had been done to the green surface at the back of the hall, but as the winter had been so wet, more work was needed before equipment could be ordered. A group had been formed to look at the Play Area.

Events

Air in G were hosting a bookings night at the Everyman Theatre in May. They were greatly appreciated as bringing in something new to the Village at reasonable cost. In reply to a request from Sarah Wheeler for an event for children Celia said they were looking at family events ie puppet theatres etc., but that not all acts were suitable for a small hall.

Local fund-raising was bringing in some £6-£7,000 p.a. and Celia thanked all the village members who had volunteered during the year in any way, particularly the Cotswold Wardens.

May Day events included a Quiz, Open Gardens, May Fair with marquee and bouncy castle with a BarBQ at the new Pool Area down Beech Lane.

Celia thanked Gordon on behalf of the Committee for all his time and for chairing the Committee so efficiently.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

Dick, Richard, Pat and Joy were all happy to stand again. Gordon proposed and Malcolm seconded. There was a vacancy for one elected member and a new Chairman, and nominations were invited. The Booking Secretary was a member of the Committee as she was automatically co-opted onto the Committee.

AOB

There was no other business and the meeting closed with a glass of wine for all present.