

Brandon & Wolston Village Hall

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Minutes of AGM held at the Village Hall, 28th June 2019

PRESENT

Committee: Chairman - Tim Harvey-Smith (Chairman, Parish Council), Secretary - Lesley Blay, John Church (Allotments Association and Diabetes Group), Valerie Griffin (Garden Club), Jean Morgan (Wolston WI), Lyn Warner (History Group)

Other attendees: Bob Grainger

APOLOGIES

Dave Smith, committee member (Wolston Bowls)

MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed to be a true record and were then signed by the Chairman Tim Harvey-Smith.

MATTERS ARISING

- a) The annual monies given from the Parish Council to the Village Hall should be referred to as a “grant” not a “precept” and in future, it will be shown as £500 for hall rental charge and £1000 grant.
- b) The Hall website which is still ongoing, webmaster Bob Grainger agreed to give access codes to the Village Hall section of the www.wolstonvillage.co.uk site.
- c) The template for the standard trust document from the Warwickshire Rural Community Council may be adopted.
- d) The old AGM minute books which have been passed to Chairman Tim Harvey-Smith for his perusal, will eventually be passed on to the Warwick County records office.

ANNUAL REPORT

The concern surrounding the replacement/maintenance of the main hall roof has taken priority. We considered solar panels at the beginning of the year with the help of grant funding from Rugby Borough Council. After having on site meetings and taking advice from various experts, it was considered not to be viable installation. Reasons being, 1; lack of available sunlight at the times of day suitable for use, 2; the use of electricity within the hall is minimal, 3; the return on any surplus energy is minimal, 4; the weight of the solar tiles could cause structural problems, 5; there is regular upkeep and maintenance costs of the panels.

The secretary had a meeting with Peter Sheen (Architect specialising in old buildings, recommended by John Church), who also helped Ryton Church with their roof. He considered the roof in reasonable condition, with no obvious signs of visual decay. There is a mixture of old, to very old tiles (some of which are original to the building) which will degrade over time. He advised we will need a structural report before proceeding with any work. Two roofing specialists have been contacted to have onsite meetings with the Secretary.

This year we have had two new regular weekly bookings; Chair Yoga on a Monday afternoon and Over 50's Keep Fit on Thursday morning.

We have formulated a new booking form, Health and Safety policy, Child Protection and Equal Opportunities policy and Data Protection policy which will be adopted at a future committee meeting.

We have approached organisation using the hall of regular basis to hopefully contribute to help with the cost of a new roof or roof repairs, we have had several donations and various promises.

Once again, many thanks to Gordon Eileen Yates, for tending the grassed area at the side of the hall. Jean Morgan, for stepping in when the Secretary has been unable to open up for Garden Club and WI and Jessica Ramsay for IT support.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Bob Grainger queried the "wages" section of the report and if HMRC revenue is due. However, the Secretary clarified this is distributed accordingly to herself and other various people who are responsible for their own tax.

The audited accounts were accepted as a true record. Proposed by Lyn Warner, seconded by John Church.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE

The committee were elected en bloc. The committee voted unanimously.

Our chairman being Tim Harvey-Smith and Vice chair Val Griffin. Other committee members are Lesley Blay (Secretary), Lyn Warner, Jean Morgan, John Church and Dave Smith.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A letter of complaint regarding noise nuisance from dance class (Bryan School of Dancing) was sent to Chairman. We have spoken to both parties and addressed the issue.

Western Power are removing the overhead cables and putting them underground. This will not affect the inside of Hall. Most works will be outside our boundary, with the exception of when they join the power supply underneath the side grassed area.

Bob Grainger suggested that in future we will need a Health and Safety section within our AGM.

The meeting closed at 8pm.