

# ISLE ABBOTTS VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 16th November at the Village Hall

**Present:** David Sutcliffe, Maureen Boyman, Emily Watts, Tim Westwood, Janet Smith

- 1. Apologies Susan Vickery, Mandy Hughes**
- 2. Minutes of committee meeting 17th August 2016 - approved.**
- 3. Matters arising from the minutes of 17th August 2016**

**Shed Roof.** As this has been ongoing it was decided that it was now becoming an urgent issue and needed attention before the winter, it was agreed that Mervyn Vickery would be approached and the work carried out. It was suggested the roof would need re-felting.

**Sign on Gate** Now in place.

**Grass** now being cut by Roger Boyman.

**Village Questionnaire** MB had received the collated copies from CCS and went through the questionnaire in detail, as only 17 out of 86 questionnaires were returned (which was a disappointment) the committee felt this wasn't a true valuation of the community and little could be gleaned. On the questionnaires returned the overall content was of a positive nature.

**Hallmark** Now most likely April '17 due to maternity leave./

**Playgroup** TW explained he had been trying for several weeks to return County Council funding with no success. He was unable to finalize the closure at present.

**New Chairs** DS confirmed 40 new chairs have been ordered, no delivery date as yet. The chairs to be stacked in the storeroom with the tables. The old plastic chairs to be stored in the shed once the roof has been felted. MB suggested Roger could move the shelving to the right of the storeroom.

**Renewals** PRS/PPL invoice pending DS

The smoke/heat alarm batteries were renewed were/are renewed in JULY MB

**Village Hall Rates** As discussed at the previous meeting DS recommended we review the village hall hire rates. DS detailed rates in surrounding villages and proposed we drop the current Winter/Summer differential and have one flat rate.

Voted and passed.

The rate per hour to be £7.50 Villagers £9.50 Non villagers.

Voted and passed.

New rates for extended use i.e. 4 to 8 hours

£50 Villagers £75 Non villagers

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Full day charges Should be negotiated (£100 guideline)

£100 Villagers £150 Non villagers

Voted and passed.



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A night of "Pig Racing" to be held on 19th November.

Sue Vickery and Helen Toone have joined the Social Committee.

**Treasurers Report** Purchase of the new chairs, DS explained that we had 3 types of chair to try. After consultation with hall users, a chair was chosen for comfort and practical reasons as they fitted with our existing tables. 40 chairs have now been ordered.

Income in the last 3 months £1,098.45                      Expenses £1,548.97

Balance of general a/c at 16th November 2016    £3,155.29

Trust Reserve A/c	£2,622.92
Repairs A/c	0.00
Chairs A/c	£1,590.00

**Secretary's Report** JS Confirmed letter to Sue Derrick ( re lawn cutting)  
Letter to Somerset Local Authorities' Civil Contingencies Unit (re use of  
village Hall in an emergency)  
Confirmed official letter of closure of playgroup received.

## Any other Business

MB Brought to the attention of the Committee that Mr & Mrs Knott who live next to the Village Hall are moving their oil tank and shed. They will also be making repairs to their wall this will not incur any expense to the Village Hall.

Dates for Village Hall Committee Meeting for 2017:

Wednesday 8th February 2017

Wednesday 17th May 2017

Wednesday 16th August 2017

Wednesday 15th November 2017

## Items for next Agenda

Health Lifestyle for 50+ Community Leisure Yeovil.

TW agreed to Chair next meeting

Date of next meeting 8th February 2017.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm.

Chairperson's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_