

MEDBOURNE VILLAGE HALL

Minutes of Meeting held at 6.30. p.m. on Monday 16th April 2012

Present: Committee – Karl Jenkins (Chairman), Keith Sandars (Secretary), Carolyn Frostwick (Treasurer), Jane Boulter, Ian Clarke, Michael Garfield, Susie Garfield, Nickie Philbin.
Public – None

1 **Apologies:** Kevin Thompson

2 **Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 12th March 2012**
Copies of the Minutes had been previously distributed to all members, the Minutes were passed as a true record, proposed Nickie Philbin, seconded Carolyn Frostwick.

3 **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

a The Chairman confirmed that the beech tree had now been removed and the invoice received. It was agreed that a replacement tree would be planted in the autumn and that a decision as to the variety would need to be taken by July.

b The Chairman mentioned that work was still continuing on the preparation of a written Constitution.

c A revised quotation in the sum of £18,569 had been received from Kettering Roofing for the replacement of the roof. Two other alternative quotations are also being requested. As VAT on work to Listed Buildings is to be introduced from October it was felt that the work must be completed by then.

d Nickie Philbin confirmed that she was still looking into the question of obtaining Grants.

e A letter from the landlord of the Nevill Arms had been received asking that the Committee confirm his booking for this year's Beer Festival. Susie Garfield was to contact him to clarify certain points, following which the Secretary was to forward a letter of confirmation.

f The sad death of Mrs Jeffries was reported and her son was keen to have some commemoration for his mother at the Hall.

4 **Any Other Business**

a The Secretary mentioned that Mick Cooper had kindly offered to make two new sign boards advertising the Village Teas. The Committee were pleased to accept his offer and agreed to pay the £60 cost of the necessary sign writing. As two further boards were needed Ian Clarke agreed to make these.

b Mention was made that some of the skirting boards needed attention and Michael Garfield was to look into this matter.

- c** On behalf of the Playgroup Jane Boulter asked if a small area of turf could be lifted in a corner of the Grounds to make a small garden for the use of the children. The Committee were pleased to agree to this request.
- d** The Chairman confirmed that the planning application for the disabled ramp would be submitted in the near future and that quotations for the work would be obtained.
- e** The Chairman mentioned that the tree surgeon who felled the beech tree was unable to remove the stump and that a specialist company had now been asked to carry out the work at a cost of £180 + VAT.
- f** Susie Garfield confirmed that the Doctors surgery now had their own telephone connection.
- g** A request had been received from the landlord of the Nevill Arms asking for confirmation of the booking for this year's Beer Festival. It was arranged that Susie would speak to Marc Kempe to clarify certain matters, following which the Secretary would send an appropriate letter.

5 **Public Question Time**
None as no members of the public were present

6 **Date and Time of Next Meeting**
Monday 21st May 2012 at a revised time of 7 p.m.