

Minutes of Meeting Held on Monday 8 September 2014

Present:

Committee: Karl Jenkins (Chair) (KJ) Georgina Hardman-Ward (GHW)
Carolyn Frostwick (Treasurer/Acting Secretary) (CF)

David Tuffs (DT)

1 Apologies for Absence

Action

Amy Hayward-Paine, Tim Gidley-Wright, Jane Boulter

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 11 August 2014 had been circulated and were agreed to be a true and correct record of the Meeting.

3 Treasurer's Report

CF Presented the Treasurer's report.

Not much has changed since the last meeting. We received a cheque for £150 from the Parish Council in respect of the War Memorial dedication day bringing us to a surplus of £32.80 for the year to date. We still have not yet received the rent from the Pre-School for the summer term which will increase the surplus

4 Arboriculture

KJ has spoken to a Tree Surgeon for advice on the trees in the grounds of the Village Hall. There is an old flowering cherry tree which is past its best and a younger self set one. It was recommended that both be removed. KJ will deal with the conservation area permissions required.

With regard to the planting of a Christmas Tree, the tree surgeon suggested an appropriate variety would be a Norway Spruce. He would be able to supply and plant a tree. A 4.5 meter potted tree would cost in the region of £250.00 from a supplier in London and he would collect it and plant it for a fee of £150.00 vat. DT suggested that we could organise a collection – perhaps asking Sandersons transport if they could help and save the fee. However, it was agreed that if we use the services of the tree surgeon and the tree does not survive we may be able to get a replacement.

As part of the work in the grounds the compost heap will be removed.

GHW reported some damage to trees following the Youth Club meeting. It was agreed that she would report the matter to JB.

GHW

5 Cleaning

The Village Hall has now been cleaned thoroughly.

6 Funding Applications

This matter was deferred until after the planned meeting next week when a clearer idea of what is required will be available.

7 Updates

Storage Cupboard

JB has reported that work has started on the clearing the cupboard but as yet no completion date has been suggested.

Repairs and Maintenance

DT reported that the majority of the work has been completed and we are holding a £1000 retainer to cover the rest of the job.

Website

DT reported that AHP is maintaining and updating the website whilst on maternity leave.

8 Fundraising and Forthcoming Events

The next planned event is the social evening to “Meet the Neighbours” on October 23rd with a Film Night on November 15th. Arrangements for the Christmas party on December 6th need to be made. GHW agreed to send copies of the advertising to the Parish Magazine.

GHW

9 Any Other Business

No matters were raised.

10 Public Question Time

No Questions were raised.

11 Date of Next Meeting

The next open meeting will be held on 13 October 2014 at 7:30pm

The Committee will meet at 7:00pm on 15 September 2014 to consider improvements to and restoration of the Hall.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 8:40pm