



Minutes of AGM held on Monday 16th April 2018

PRESENT

Committee:

Karl Jenkins (KJ) – Chairman

Carolyn Frostwick (CF) – Treasurer

Amy Hayward-Paine (AHP) - Secretary

Bill Barrie (BB) – Bookings Clerk

Rebekah Budenberg (RB) – Pre-School representative

Lyn Easton (LE) – Parish Council representative

David Tuffs (DT) – Maintenance support

1. Apologies for Absence

Stacey Brindle

2. Minutes of AGM 24.04.17

Approved by RB and seconded by CF

3. Chairman's Report

It goes without saying that this committee, being completely made up of volunteers, works hard to organise and promote new money-making schemes to extend the life of the hall. At this point I would like to thank them for the endless patience and enthusiasm, this also includes Alex Doe for her help with the caretaking of the Village Hall.

I would also like to thank the Parish Council for its continued support to the Village Hall.

Please find below a brief summary of the past, present and projected works to the Village Hall.

Works completed to date:

These are vast now and don't really require me to list them at this point, but do include recently moving the boundary and fencing, followed by laying turf to the area.

Projects going forward:

A memory bench for the Village Hall will be set as agreed with the donator.

The plans for the new extension and list of renovation facilities are being worked up at the moment.

Fundraising for the renovation of the main hall is underway.

New grant advisors have been appointed being Rebekah and Carolyn.

We are also considering an adult computer club and other Internet supported clubs



4. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year to 31 March 2018. The accounts for the day to day running of the Hall show a small surplus of £159.54 for the year.

Income from general hire fees is considerably reduced based on the previous year which may be due to the increasingly poor state of the Hall.

The ongoing costs of the maintenance of the Hall have increased again this year with repairs to the side door threshold, and the general electrics being required. The Committee would like to thank David Tuffs for his work on various "odd jobs" around the building which he carries out at no cost other than materials.

The Village Hall Committee retain the funds for the defibrillator maintenance and staff training and the balance is currently unchanged at £2,481.63.

We continue to raise funds for the Restoration Appeal. To date we have received donations in excess of £17,000 and our fund-raising initiatives have raised a further £2,300. We have had some initial expenses in connection with the project such as planning submission and surveyor's fees which leaves us with a balance of £17,106.00. We will be able to claim a tax refund of £3,300 in respect of Gift Aid and the Village Hall Committee has pledged £15,000 from its cash reserves.

Unfortunately, our initial application to the Heritage Lottery Fund was not successful. However, we now have a dedicated Grants Officer assigned to us who will offer guidance on how to improve the application with a view to resubmitting later in the year. This is not an unusual situation - very few applications are successful at the first attempt. Rebekah and I will be arranging a meeting with the Grants Officer in the very near future.

At 31 March 2018 the total funds held are as follows:

	£
Current account	5,456.30
Cash	11.00
Appeal Fund	17,106.57
Defibrillator Fund	2,481.63
MHBS Capital Account	31,379.69
Total Funds	<u>£56,435.19</u>



5. Election of Officers

The Treasurer, Bookings Clerk and Parish Council re-stood for the forthcoming year. Rebekah Budenburg stood down as Pre-School representative due to personal commitments but made it clear that she remains 100% committed to the ongoing support of the Hall. Amy Hayward-Paine also stood down due to personal commitments but will remain in the post of Secretary or until July or as soon as a replacement is found.

One to one approaches should be made to prospective new members in addition to notice in the Parish Magazine and then posters in the VH notice board/shop notice board to advertise each vacancy.

6. Election of Chairman

KJ re-stood as Chairman and had full approval of the committee. CF proposed and AHP seconded

7. AOB

Pre-School is waiting for a letter from DRET confirming the new building will be ready in January 2019. Dates will be firmed up once this has been received. Stacey Brindle was nominated as a committee member, nominated by KJ and seconded by AHP.

It was flagged that a serious move needs to be made for the wider community to understand the implications of two vacancies on the Committee with a letter being issued to flag that the long-term prospects of the Hall is under threat if no new support is found.

8. Date of next committee meeting

April 2019