

Minutes of Video Meeting

Held on

Monday 19th October 2020

Present:

Committee:

- Brian Godfrey - Chairman
- Carolyn Frostwick - Treasurer
- Lynn Easton - Parish Council rep.
- Steve Howden – Secretary
- John Young - Bookings Clerk
- Karin Goodburn
- Kelle Garner
- Chloe Shuttlewood

Members of the Public - Meriel Godfrey, Becki Howden

1 Apologies for Absence
Rebekah Budenberg

Action

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting
The Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 21 September 2020 were approved and will be signed by the Chairman.

3 Matters arising from the Minutes

- 3.1** Making VH COVID safe for opening up of the VH for additional users. Brian/ John have fitted the hand sanitisers. Signage has been purchased but not yet fitted. After much discussion, the consensus was that it is too early to open the hall up to further user groups (other than Pre-school/Scouts). The situation will continue to be reviewed at each monthly Committee meeting. Carolyn, on behalf of the rest of the committee thanked those on the working party for their hard work.

4.1 Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave an overview of the history of the VH and the Medbourne Schools Trust for the benefit of the newer committee members.

4.2 Treasurer's Report

With the Hall remaining closed to the wider public due to the Covid 19 epidemic Only Scouts and Preschool are in session. Very little has changed in the last month. CF is trying to contact the Preschool and Scouts to arrange for invoices to be raised to bring them up to date.

Income in the year to date is £10,675 – which includes the Covid 19 business interruption grant. Expenses total £3,346 which are mainly utilities, maintenance, caretaking and insurance. We therefore have a surplus of £7,328 for the year to date

Invoicing for scouts - Kelle suggested this should be sent to Elizabeth Halstead. Kelle will send contact information to Carolyn.

Parish Council funding for fence not yet received, Carolyn to chase up as fence has been repaired.

CF

4.3 Restoration Fund

We have had some good news this month in that we have received a Grant of £8,556 from the National Lottery Community Fund. This is to fund the additional expense we will incur adapting our plans to incorporate Covid 19 protection. The plans have been modified to include items such as screens in the cloakroom facilities, no-touch sensor taps and anti-bacterial, ultra-violet lighting.

The restoration fund currently stands at £36,887 including the £15,000 pledged from Village Hall reserves.

Kelle/John have suggestions for getting fundraising in the village going again. Carolyn will send a copy of the original letter sent to villagers to supply some background to how this was originally publicised.

CF

John has contacts that may be able to help with funding buildings of Architectural interest.

4.4 Caretaking

- Cleaning organised with Scouts/Pre-school is working well
- Floor markings in place for scouts
- Toilet seat mended
- Plumber due to service boiler and carry out one other small job
- Bag for marquee paid for by WI
- Lavender bed pruned - some replanting is needed

The Chairman thanked Meriel for all her work in setting up the cleaning schedule

4.5 Bookings

- An enquiry for a Wedding next year has not yet been looked at
- John would like to show rest of committee his proposed upgrade of booking system. Date set for 14 Dec
- John/Meriel & Brian will review current system v proposed new system prior to above

JY/MG/
BG

4.6 Defibrillator

- October check completed
- Training - Brian/Rebekah have met and are scoping out training options

BG/RB

5 Forthcoming Events

None organised currently

6 Any Other Business

- Harborough Lottery/Easy Fundraising - Chloe to investigate
- Community Garden - Go ahead given

CS

7 Public Question Time

No items this month

8 Date of Next Meeting

The next Committee meeting will be on Monday 16 November 2020 at 7:30pm. This will be a video meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:45pm