

**MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held 9 MARCH 2015**

Present

Alice Murdock (Vice Chair)
Kay Mitchell (Secretary)
Lorna Bryant
Marie Harrison-Butlin
Alan Wilmer

Apologies

Tim Smith (Chair)
Vikki Halliday (Treasurer)
Margaret Stamp

Alice welcomed members to the Village Hall Annual General Meeting

Minutes of AGM 2014 were read and agreed
There were no Matters Arising

Chair's Report

In the absence of the Chair, Alice Murdock read Tim's report.

The Chair extended thanks to all committee members for their hard work and commitment during the previous year and especially to Alice Murdock as Co-Chair.

The committee started the year with a number of changes; resignations from the committee, including the positions of Chair, Deputy Chair & Treasurer all being vacated – with this number of changes and adjustments, the Committee's aim for the year was to ensure that income and expenditure were steadied.

Fund raising events continued throughout the year; these were well attended and included a Jumble Sale, Bingo and a Pamper Evening. These events need to continue next year to raise funds for the Village Hall so that it remains solvent.

Outgoings were higher than expected this year, particularly utility bills. Both gas and water bills were higher than expected. The gas supplier has been changed which should provide a cheaper supply. A number of repairs were also undertaken.

Regular users continue to use the Hall, generating a steady income. It has been pleasing to see the Hall being utilised as a valuable resource for the local community.

A new web site for the Village Hall was created this year and Wi-Fi was installed throughout the Hall.

The Chair declared thanks to Cath, Margaret and Ivor for keeping the gardens in good order and to Flick Craven for running the 100 Club.

Those who have made donations were also recognised in the Chair's report.

Treasurers Report

In the absence of the Treasurer, Alice Murdock read her report and accounts.

Closing balance was £5174.61 and cash balance £519.65. Utility bills were very high this year as well as general maintenance and this has taken a considerable amount from the budget.

Need to increase income in order to improve our financial security.

Caretaker's Report

Marie reported that bookings were down this year-319 in 2014, compared to 374 in 2013 and 554 in 2012.

Occasional bookings, such as parties and events were also much lower this year.

Need to improve our marketing and user groups – youth club operating during term time will improve usage. Should also be promoting for events such as weddings.

The Communications Book continues to work well.

Election of Officers

Tim Smith will continue as Chair – proposed by Kay Mitchell, seconded by Lorna Bryant

Alice as Vice Chair – proposed by Lorna Bryant and seconded by Alan Wilmer

Vikki Halliday as Treasurer – proposed by Alice Murdock, seconded by Sally Armstrong

Kay Mitchell as Secretary – proposed by Sally Armstrong, seconded by Lorna Bryant

Committee Membership

The Chair announced that Val McKeggie has resigned from the Committee and welcomed Sally Armstrong, who has re-joined.

Other members intend to remain.

Kay Mitchell
Secretary
09/03/15