

Minutes of Great Easton Village Hall Committee Meeting
held at Village Hall at 7.30pm on 21st September 2015

Present

Tim Smith

Alice Murdock

Vikki Halliday

Margaret Stamp

Marie Harrison-Butlin

Apologies

Kay Mitchell

Sally Armstrong

1. Minutes of previous meeting were read and agreed

2. Matters Arising

Family Treasure Hunt and BBQ raised £122. Despite being a beautiful summer's day, the turnout was disappointing though everyone who attended had a good time. The balloon drop and wrapping kids in toilet roll proved very popular! However, it was generally felt that this event was not worth repeating.

The Key Safe needs to be followed up

(ActionTS)

The hall chairs have been successfully cleaned (with dyson, steam cleaner and 1001)

The Terms and Conditions are nearly finalised and should be posted in the near future

(Action TS and AM)

3. Finance Report

Vikki reported that the finances are looking healthy with approximately £5,600 inc petty cash

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4. Fund Raising

Quiz and Chips will be held on Sat 26th Sept at 7-7.30pm. Advertised via lots of posters, household flyer drop and A frame outside shop. Andy and Alice to do Quiz with Sally, Kay and Margaret doing door, bar and raffle. Fish and Chip van all booked should arrive approx. 8pm.

Pamper Night is being planned for 27th November with several therapists already signed up

(Action VH)

Bingo has been pencilled in for Friday 19th February 2016

Speakers - still on the look out for anyone suitable

100 Club - annual subs are due, collection organised by Flick Craven.

5. GELTco - Great Easton Little Theatre Company

Tim reported on a recent meeting with key members of GELT where they had asked if we would allow them to pay Hall booking fees in retrospect as they currently have no finances. The Committee agreed to this, feeling it was important to be supportive of this new group. They are Holding a Murder Mystery evening on 9th Oct to raise funds with a view to staging a Pantomime in the early New Year.

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6. Hall Maintenance

The damp problem in the Ladies toilet appears to be alleviated so tiling and boxing can be replaced with the inclusion of ventilation holes.

(Action AM to contact George Robbins)

Two new toilet seats are needed in the Ladies

(Action AM)

The central drain between the two pitched roofs had blocked earlier in the summer and caused flooding in the store cupboard. This was cleared by Neil Deadman and should be done on **at least** an annual basis.

Total, our current gas supplier, has replaced the gas meter with an updated smart one.

The annual Rospa safety report on the garden Swings has been received with the risk status remaining at Medium, the matting being the main area requiring attention.

(Action AM - GR)

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7. Any Other Business

The Thursday morning Mum's and Tots group has folded, they have sorted out most of their toys and returned the key. The remaining toys need to be removed or stored for possible future use

(Action AM to speak to Nikki Swinfen-Cranney)

The Thursday evening Youth Club has also folded, their equipment has been sorted and stored in the metal cupboard and under the stage. Key not yet returned, ex-Chairman Shirley Cannon to be contacted

(Action AM)

Charging for setting up and clearing up time was discussed, with the Committee feeling that the existing regular groups should continue to benefit from a little leeway but one-off bookings should pay for the complete amount of time that the hall is required.

The Committee agreed that the Church should now be required to pay for their hall bookings, having benefitted from free hall use for some years

(Action TS)

A request for a Camper van to be parked overnight in the Hall grounds was considered but turned down on a number of concerns, not least the breaking of a drain cover by a previous van.

Next Meeting to be held on Monday 16th November