Minutes Of The Great Easton Village Hall Committee 7th February 2018 at 10.30am GE Village Hall

Present

Tim Smith Alice Murdock Vikki Halliday Louisa Feltham Lorna Bryant Sally Armstrong Margaret Stamp

Apologies

Kay Mitchell

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed.

Matters Arising

Fire Certificate action - c/f TS
New tablecloths - c/f
Suitcase sort-out - c/f LF
Purchase of kitchen steps - c/f SA

Making Dyson available to all going well - Old Henry to be removed from premises -LF As planned, all the Hall Christmas decorations were homemade - paper chains, big paper stars, window heart chains, rustic wooden stars and tree decorations - these were very well received by Hall users. All decs stored on cupboard shelf - to be reviewed in Sept.

Finance

Current total - £11,515.70

Healthy balance following floor refurbishment and chair purchase.

Whist Club, Garden Society and Yoga have now folded so it is hoped some new activities/groups will take their place.

Fund Raising Update

Antarctica, a photographic presentation by Andy Murdock to be held on Friday 9th Feb @ 7.30pm Free entry with a retiring collection in aid of Hall funds. There will be a bar.

Quiz and Chips on Saturday 24th Feb @ 7.30pm. Posters, including large A frame outside shop, in position - tickets for sale in shop £10 (F&C now £6.20)

Advert to be placed on Next Door Neighbour - AM

Condiments to be refreshed - SA

Bar and Raffle.

More fundraising ideas needed for the rest of the year!

AGM

This will be held on Wednesday 24th March, 10.30am in the hall. Advert to be put in Parish Magazine

Stage Refurbishment

It was agreed, in principle, to explore the refurbishment of the stage area to include new lighting, backdrop solutions and painting of the area. Any work must take into account all the different uses of the stage eg, line dancing, Clubbercise, GELT performances, concerts, parties and presentations. To this end, Tim and Alice had met with Danny of Rocky Rd Music and were awaiting an initial quote. Louisa to set up a meeting with her theatrical contacts to discuss options.

Paddock

Much concern was expressed about the state of the Paddock immediately behind the hall which is currently being used for the keeping of pigs. The associated detritus and unsightly fencing has spoilt the outlook from the garden and there are fears this will affect our bookings. A representation to the relevant authority is to be made - **TS**

AOB

George Robbins has replaced the Meeting Room lock which had become unreliable. He also cleared the gutter between the two roofs. He has been asked to quote for replacement of double fire doors and renew smoke alarm batteries.

Electrician Josh has installed a new plug point at kitchen end of hall; surround needs painting - AM

He also repaired sensor switch in back hallway.

One hundred new chairs and five dolleys arrived on 29nd November 2017. These have been very well received however some of the older hall users find the dolleys difficult to load so 20 chairs are to be left unstacked in the bar area at all times.

The black cloth backdrop on the stage is becoming droopy so needs removing - **LF** In November, the centenary of the end of WWI is to be celebrated - ideas required for any possible hall events to be held in conjunction with other village happenings!

The meeting closed at 12.15pm

Next Meeting - Weds 28th March 2018 - 10.30am V.Hall