

Minutes of the Great Easton Village Hall Committee Meeting Wednesday 24 November 2021 at 10.30am

Present

Sally Armstrong, Lorna Bryant, Vikki Halliday, Kay Mitchell, Tim Smith (Chair)

Apologies: Alice Murdock, Louisa Feltham, Margaret Stamp

Meeting started at 10.35

1. Minutes of the last Meeting held 22 September 2021 read and agreed

2. Matters Arising

- Roadside Advertising boards (AM) c/f
- Info/DisplayBoard outside shop (AM) c/f
- Kitchen - corner tap (TS) c/f
- Short-Mat Bowls (AM) c/f
- Lighting Desk (LF)

Louisa reported that Terry has installed a new lighting desk to replace the faulty one purchased some time ago. This new one is under guarantee.

- Garden (KM)

Sadly messages and emails left for Viridis Designs did not produce any response.

Action: Sally will approach Esther McMillan who is local

- Frosting to exterior walls (TS/AM)

Mark has advised Tim that the VH will be his next job, hopefully before Easter.

- Regular Clubs Open Day (TS) c/f to March

3. Finance

Vikki reported that the current balance is £38,934.43. Some of this total includes funds for Walk on the Wildside and 100 Club.

Total funds for the Village Hall £32,243.38

4. Stage Blocks

James and Louisa (GELT) are currently researching new staging concepts to provide an extension to the stage. The VH stage isn't a standard height, but it shouldn't be difficult to address this, as there are some companies that fit their staging to individual requirements.

Action Louisa

5. Archive/Meeting Room

Storage cupboards for the Archive Room have now been purchased and awaiting delivery. The cost has been split between the Parish Council and the Village Hall, as the History Society are short on funds. The Meeting Room will need to be cleared, and in addition, some minor cable work is required which Tim will arrange with the electrician.

The round table and three upholstered chairs are no longer needed, and these could be posted for sale on the Neighbourhood Network or donated to charity.

Action Tim

6. Walk on the Wildside (update KM)

Grants are now coming in, enabling numerous activities and workshops to be planned for the forthcoming months up to the Platinum Jubilee in July. A monthly Newsletter is distributed around the Village featuring in November a Family Hedgehog Hunt. The new Bug Hotel is now in the VH garden

Current balance for the Project: £2950.00

7. AOB

- Sally reported that the Disabled Toilet has a very noisy flush that needs investigation **(TS)**
- Clubs are back in the Hall but there have been some issues with radiators being turned down and the floor not being swept, which affects future users. Tim has sent a reminder to Groups.
- GELT would like to display an A1 poster for their forthcoming panto and use the VH A Frame. There is a spare A frame currently in the Store Room and the other is outside the shop advertising the Christmas Coffee Morning. It was agreed a poster could be placed in the VH window. Any plans to locate any A Frame outside the shop need to be discussed with Mark and Di.
- Alice reported that the VH have been offered an 8'x8' (approx) gazebo which might be useful
Action: Alice to enquire about the condition of the gazebo and the scope, so we can check storage space.
- Christmas Decs need to go up before the Good Companions Christmas Lunch on Dec 2nd or the Church Coffee Morning on Dec 4th, or. Volunteers required.
Agreed Wednesday 1st December at 2pm - Tim, Kay, Sally and Lorna

Meeting ended 11.17am

Next meeting: 26th January 2022 10.30am