

Minutes of Committee Meeting and Annual General Meeting of Enford Village Hall at 7.30 pm 20th September 2018

Due to adverse traffic conditions, the proposed Committee meeting did not take place at 1845 and instead a combined AGM and Committee Meeting took place at 1930 hours.

Present : Judy D'Arcy Irvine, Hamish Scott-Dalgleish, Jacqui Elkins, Jane Young, Hannah Tucker, Ollie Stagg, David Harbottle (member of the village but not on EVH committee), Amanda Farrow

Apologies: Anthony D'Arcy Irvine, Rosemary Cox

Minutes of the AGM dated 17 September 2017 were approved. There were no matters arising from those minutes (having been dealt with in earlier meetings).

Hannah presented the accounts for the period ending 30 June 2018. A small loss of £567.66 had accrued over the year as a result of lower income and slightly increased expenditure. Although not disastrous, it was hoped that the trend would not continue after a number of years of surplus.

The accounts had been audited satisfactorily by Kim Riche. It was suggested and agreed that he be given some wine. Hannah was thanked for her work on preparing the accounts. The accounts were approved by the Committee.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Judy confirmed the position re relative lack of bookings. It was difficult to generate new bookings and advertising was not necessarily the answer. New classes could not be provided unless there was an enthusiast to run them. The village hall, however, remained totally viable.

The Football Foundation had been notified that no senior matches were now being played and the response had not been too alarming. The term of the Football Foundation grant still had many years to run and it will be interesting to see if any requirements will still have to be met. The position re the Lottery Fund grant is also up for assessment in 2019. It is hoped that this should be approved without any difficulty

Capital Expenditure:

During the summer Closed Circuit TV has been installed. The whole building is now covered by 6 cameras. To date the system seems to have been useful in deterring vandals but it was early days. It was funded by the hall (at a cost of £2,053).

The hand rail has been replaced with a new wooden rail which should last 60 years even though it was not a classic hardwood. Replacement was necessitated again by vandalism - cost £800.

Car park lights will need repairing and replacing in the near future. The existing lights could be repaired for £2,500 but the underground works were unsatisfactory and a thorough renovation was deemed necessary. The quote from Fishlock and Dyer was just over £6,000 and included the wiring to 20 lights. All the car park lights would be 'drive over' type and LED which would be more economic to run. The cost would be borne by the Hall but Tidworth Area Board have granted £1,500 and a Landfill Grant would be applied for. In addition, a bridge drive (or possibly 2) would help with costs. David Harbottle queried if any guarantee was provided at time of original installation but it was thought unlikely any guarantee would still be valid.

Future Events:

Firework display on 27 October and Remembrance Day Lunch on 11 November although this would not provide any funds for the hall.

Amanda Farrow, representing Enford Community, explained that this year it was hoped to fire the Fireworks from Bruce Waight's field in order to avoid the possibility of returning fireworks landing on Hannah's stable. This was going to be a trial and its success would have to be evaluated.

Mandy thanked EVH for their contribution to the fireworks but was disappointed that the fete in 2018 had had to be cancelled due to lack of support. She could, however, confirm that there had been an increase in support and felt that there was a strong possibility that the 2019 fete would go ahead.

MAINTENANCE OFFICER

Monitoring of internal lighting an ongoing problem. A budget figure of £800 might be necessary to get things right. The contractors had been ineffective and would be dropped in due course once a replacement is found.

GROUNDS OFFICER

Mowing proceeding as before. No major issues but the football pitch was suffering from rabbit damage. HSD said he would try and attack moles as soon as they were evidenced. HSD explained that Jo Orchard-Lisle had paid for the door repair of the barn where the tractor was stored and Judy would thank her.

GARDENING CLUB

Held about eight times a year but more members would be welcome to ensure its viability.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Struggling with numbers but coach still keen. Ideally should be 9 and efforts in hand to get young involved. Still has money in reserve.

FILM CLUB

Going OK. 20/40 persons per film with the possibility of 2 extra films this year connected with WW1. "Oh What a Lovely War" being one and the second a film on the Spitfire or "Journey's End". Thanks were due to Clive Bullen and Martin Browne who help set up the screen and system.

CAMERA CLUB

More members needed

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Jane Young, Hannah Tucker, Judy D'Arcy-Irvine and David Spencer were all due for re-election. This was proposed and seconded.

FUTURE FUNDING

More weddings were a good source of revenue but difficult to secure. The taxi driving campers were due to come in October and approaching the Caravan Club was discussed.

The meeting closed.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 7.30 pm NOVEMBER 13 2018

