

REDLAKE VALLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE
ORDINARY MEETING, 7.30 pm TUESDAY 5th SEPTEMBER 2017
MINUTES

Present: Di Cosgrove, Patrick Cosgrove, Simon Jameson, Beryl Palmer, Christine Rogers, Jim Rogers, Becky Sherman, Dave Wright

Apologies: Simon Jameson, James Middleton

Absent: Jacqueline Moloney

In attendance: Gary Mills (for Clun Town Council)

1. Minutes from previous meeting and matters arising if not on the agenda:
 - Jim has now fitted new strip lights that emit less harsh light
 - Arts Alive has been paid a one-off discretionary payment of £80
 - The central heating has been fixed
 - Patrick will ask James if he can procure another NFU 'dog on leads' sign as one has deteriorated **Action PC**
 - James and Patrick partly cleared the car park on 3rd June but there is more to do there and around the hall. Patrick will circulate dates for volunteers to complete the job. **Action PC**
 - Dave Wright has provided Jim with his personal details for logging with the Charity Commission as a Trustee.
 - Although busy diaries and a lack of response from Midshires Co-op on a suitable date prevented Dave and Patrick lobbying shoppers to nominate the hall as a favoured recipient of grant aid, Dave was of the opinion that we should still receive a significant sum of money

1a Finances

Jim circulated a mid-term finance report (attached). No particular areas of concern were noted.

2. Link with Clun Town Council:

Becky welcomed Gary Mills as the new link Councillor with Clun Town Council. Patrick explained that in due course three options for his attendance can be considered:

- attendance on behalf of the Town Council
- secondment as a Trustee
- nomination by another Redlake Valley resident as a Trustee and act in both capacities

3. Locking hall – key holders etc:

Patrick reminded committee members that for external hirings involving caterers, it is the caterer's responsibility to lock the hall, but there may be the occasional instance when people stay on longer than the caterers, in which case there may be the need for those living nearby to check that the hall has been locked and lights switched off.

4. Flicks rota and duties:

Christine secured commitments for the autumn season's Flicks as follows:

Sept 16 'Lion' - Christine, Karen and Mark
Sept 28 'Hidden Figures' - Christine and Jim
Oct 21 'Their Finest' - Christine and Jim
Nov 18 'Lost City of Z' - Peter and Becky
Dec 16 'Tomorrow' - Patrick and Di

5. Christmas party/Arts Alive Event:

It was agreed that the December live entertainment event would again double as a Christmas party. Patrick will ask Jaqueline to find out if the performers can build an interval into the evening to allow for a light buffet. If not we will not provide food. **Action PC**

6. Possible improvements to the hall:

- Picnic table/s for outside area - Macturk Fund – various options were discussed, but it was decided to wait to get advice from a woodworker who will be at the Woodland Fair before taking an decision **c/f**
- Decorating outside of hall – Patrick to ask James if the Air Gun Club would consider painting the hall exterior **Action PC**
- Replacing curtain rails - especially stage curtains – James and Christine will explore options **Action JR/CR**
- Replacing faded picture in Chapel Lawn sign – Patrick will ask Graham Arnold for advice **Action PC**

7. Whether to change terms of Village Hall bar licence:

The draft terms of reference that Jim had circulated earlier were agreed with the proviso that the option of the hirer paying a fee to stock a bar and keep profits was not to be widely publicised and any decision was strictly at the hall committee's discretion

8. Woodland Fair update, including bar arrangements:

Patrick provided an update on arrangements and circulated a draft programme and a list of participants. It was agreed that seating for the evening talk could be extended to 100 if the planning committee were comfortable about the logistics of hall disassembly giving way to chairs being set out. Jim and Christine agreed to stock and run the bar from 5.30* to about 6.45. It was not yet known if there would be an interval for serving drinks.

* N.B. subsequently changed to 5.45

9. Possible pub evening with games and piano, and 9a. Use of the Piano:

Becky and Di will discuss possibilities of separate cabarets and pub nights in January/February. **Action BS/DC**

10. Role of Secretary:

Patrick reminded committee members that he wished to stand down as Secretary and although he would prefer a replacement to be found this year, he is willing to continue until next year's AGM.

11. AOB:

- Beryl has received a donation of glasses. She and Christine will examine them and retain those that are of use **Action BP/CR**
- Gary asked if there were any Chapel Lawn issues that trustees wished to raise with the Town Council. Becky endorsed Patrick's separate request that the Town Council consider the poor state of the tarmac leading to Menuton as this is now treacherous for horse riders.
- Patrick agreed to circulate minutes as a PDF document to ensure compatibility with tablets and smartphones **Action PC**

12. Date of next meeting: Tuesday 31st October 7.30 pm.