

## REDLAKE VALLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 14<sup>th</sup> May 2015

**PRESENT:** Di Cosgrove, Simon Jameson, James Middleton, Beryl Palmer, Christine Rogers, Jim Rogers, Peter Sherman, Becky Sherman

**Apologies:** Patrick Cosgrove, Ian Campbell, Simon Jameson

#### 1. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS AGM AND ACTION POINTS

Minutes were taken as read and signed by the Chair.

#### 2. CHAIR'S REPORT FOR 2014-15 YEAR

Becky Whitton read out her report for the past year:

This is the first year I have been a chairman of anything, so will be the first chairman's report I have ever had to make – this is easy!

Beryl kindly sent me a list of events which have taken place over the last 12 months and I could read them all out to you, but apart from mentioning a few, that would be tiresome. We have had the usual regular groups, including Simon's Drawing days; several parties, both open and private, town council and PCC meetings, election days, and craft and workshop days and yoga briefly, which all suggests a well-used and healthy village hall. Any member of the community is of course, always welcome to organise their own entertainment or event for which, if open to local people, they can have the use of the hall for free. This said, there is always the problem of who cleans the hall and it is the responsibility of the hirers to always leave the hall in a better state than they found it. This year, given the difficulty we have finding volunteers to give the hall a thorough clean, we paid a cleaner to do the job. It goes without saying that if we have to pay a cleaner more than once or twice a year, we will have to pass that cost on to our hirers.

I am sure it could be used even more, but given that we have a relatively small catchment area, we do OK. This does not mean we can sit on our laurels and let things slide, but I do not see the need to push the use of the hall just for the sake of it; after all, the more it is used, the quicker it will deteriorate!

Coming up is the Sultana Brother's evening, which I am looking forward to and needs plugging by all. We are also looking into the possibility of adding live streamed shows to our list of entertainments and hoping to co-operate with our neighbours at Llanfair Waterdine for the showing of the Flicks – at the very least to try not to show the same film on the same night again!

Various maintenance and housekeeping jobs have been undertaken this year; the heating should now be working effectively having increased the expansion tank capacity...

The table cloths have been replaced with the nice cheerful red check ones and thanks to Christine, Di, Karen and Jemima for hemming them all (and me)! All for just £60.

We have new more effective emergency lighting installed (?) and I noticed the other day, we also have a new runner in the hallway.

Finally I would like to thank all the committee, (especially Di and Christine for organising food for events) for their hard work and time in keeping the hall running and available for use to the community. I would like to add a personal thank you from Peter and me for the help and generosity of you all on the occasion of our wedding; it was a fabulous day and a privilege to share it with you.

### **3. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 2014-15 YEAR (TO BE VOTED ON).**

Jim explained that we had £3,700 positive balance at the beginning of the financial year of which £3,000 is restricted. Events, solar panels and pellet boiler provide sufficient income for general running costs and most contingencies. The financial report was supported unanimously.

### **4. PRESENT COMMITTEE STANDS DOWN.**

The present committee stood down

### **5. NOMINATION OF TRUSTEES**

All previous trustees agreed to serve for the coming year.

Proposer James Middleton, seconder, Jim Rogers. All agreed.

Beryl Palmer agreed to continue as housekeeper and booking clerk.

### **6. NOMINATIONS FROM LOCAL ORGANISATIONS FOR ADDITIONAL TRUSTEES.**

There was none

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None