

MINUTES OF AGM OF REDLAKE VALLEY VILLAGE HALL
ON TUESDAY 16TH JUNE 2009
AT 8.00 PM

- Present: James Middleton (Chairman)
Julian Kent (Treasurer)
Beryl Palmer (Acting Secretary)
Jane Kent
Barry Palmer
Vi Sherring
Steve Sherring
Jim Rogers
Vera Bowen
Helena Lane
Kim Smith
Patrick Cosgrove
Di Cosgrove
Michael Macturk
Sharon Barthram
Richard Barthram
Mr Ogden
Jeremy Jameson
Jemima Jameson
Ian Campbell
Liz Campbell
Pat Hill
Alan Hill
Bob James
Claudia Brown
Dave Alker
Marietta Alker
Frances Hall, Regeneration Officer for our area
- Apologies Christine Page
Becky Whitton
Sheila Smith
Christine Rogers

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

James Middleton welcomed everyone to the AGM and Social and expressed his delight as such a good attendance. He apologised for being half an hour late. However everyone had been able to start on the supper and drink provided adding to the goodwill of the evening. Apologies were read out.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the AGM held in July 2008 were read. These were approved, proposed as accepted by Jane Kent and signed by the Chairman. The next three meetings of the Redlake Valley Village Hall committee were read, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Liz Campbell gave information on the local produce venture, in the absence of Christine Page. There had been a meeting in Clun to talk through ideas as interest had been expressed via the Redlake Newsletter and from the flyers distributed throughout the Parish. It was proposed that another meeting be convened to take the organisation of produce exchange/barter forward.

Christine, Becky, Di and Liz would arrange to meet soon.

Helena Lane asked if Thelma Lewis had received a letter of thanks for her donation to the village hall after her charity event last year. Jane Kent confirmed that a letter had been sent.

Patrick Cosgrove gave a resume of his investigation into alternative heating methods for the hall. It was decided that no change would be made at the moment but details would be accumulated for further reference.

Jane Kent confirmed that the backdrop cloth for the stage would go ahead and was in progress.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

James Middleton gave his report. There had been considerable use of the hall over the last twelve months. Many organisations from the village and outside had hired the hall boosting our income. James thanked the individuals for obtaining the many grants, which had enabled us to purchase the projector and accessories. Thanks were given to the many people who had contributed to looking after the hall and to the committee officers for their work.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

Julian Kent handed out copies of the year's accounts.

A copy of the printed accounts is attached. More income had been received from Flix and there had been a slight reduction in our expenses over the previous year. Generally it had been a good year and the grant income had helped us end the year with assets of £2984.24. No information had been received on our latest application for a grant to sand and polish the floor.

6. ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

All officers agreed to stand for a further year. Jane Kent proposed and Helena Lane seconded the appointment of all officers.

Julian Kent asked that a new Treasurer be found for next year as after six years he would be standing down at the next AGM.

The Chairman also stated that he would be looking for another person to take on his role in a few years time.

7. HALL IMPROVEMENTS

Heating Options----Patrick Cosgrove agreed to look at quotations for buying new units as a possible costing exercise for future grants. He had been in touch with the Marches Energy Agency. At the moment only adjusting the existing heater directions or using fans would be feasible. Patrick and Ian would look at changing the angle of the brackets.

Jane Kent commented that the quartz heaters at the Everest hall were very effective.

The damp in the toilets and the kitchen could be resolved with fans to change the humidity. We need quotations in advance of applying for a grant.

It was agreed that a notice should be placed in the kitchen to remind users to drain down the water heater after switch off. This will avoid the unit furring up.

8. BRYNEDDIN WOOD

Michael Macturk read out a request for assistance in the formation of a subcommittee in managing the Bryneddin wood. The Friends of Bryneddin Wood would discuss the future of the wood and involve interested owners and villagers in renewing interest in marking the individual quillets and maintaining the wood. Michael proposed and Patrick Cosgrove seconded. Jim Rogers and Helena Lane expressed an interest in being part of the proposed group. Jane Kent suggested that this proposal could be included in the next Redlake newsletter and a flyer sent to all parishioners. Steve Sherring said that there might be a problem with rights of way in clearing the footpath along the edge of the wood. Once this must have been a cart track to take out wood.

9. VILLAGE HALL ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Kim Smith asked interested parties to form a committee to take over the running of Flix and Arts Alive, when he and Sheila left the village next year. Richard Bartram, James Middleton, Jim Rogers, Di Cosgrove and Beryl Palmer offered their help in the running of the projector, the Bar and ticket sales etc.

James thanked Kim for all his work with the village entertainment.

10. NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Steve Sherring asked that a second co-ordinator work alongside Vera Bowen to replace Vi Sherring. Helena Lane volunteered to be the second signatory on any expenses and to be the e-mail contact for information from Shrewsbury.

11. AOB

Ian Campbell stated that the next Hodre Pond clean would be on Sunday 30th August. Trees by the edge of the pond need coppicing, as parts of the pond are becoming too shady. New waders were needed, as parts of the pond were very deep.

Jane Kent reminded everyone of the forthcoming WI BBQ on the village field behind the hall on Sunday 21st June.

Mr and Mrs Wall were opening their gardens at Timbercroft also on Sunday afternoon and would appreciate cakes and scones for their afternoon teas. All proceeds in aid of Air Ambulance.

Patrick Cosgrove asked if anyone would be interested in forming a small group of people to write up the history of Chapel Lawn, building on the initial work that Michael Macturk had done in the History of Chapel Lawn School book. Michael and Jim expressed interest and, as with the Bryneddin Wood idea, it was agreed that a notice would go in the next Redlake to find out who else might be interested or might have material to contribute.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.30pm. All guests were invited to join in the supper and drinks provided. The date of the next meeting will be decided when the grant application has been confirmed.

The meeting closed at 9.30 p.m.