

13th JANUARY 2015 PIDDINGTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Present: Lynda Galloway (LG); John Galloway (JG); Chris Weavers (CW); Sally Clark (SC); Marie-Claire Nixon-Davingoff (MCN); Hazel Coleman (HC); Andrew Coleman (AC); Ken Howard (KH)

Also present: Yvonne Weavers (YW), 200 Club.

14/15 200 Club Draw took place - winning numbers: 44 G. Rixon; 144 S. Clark; 165 P. Maynard; 68 R. Hepworth. YW asked that consideration should be given to improving the winning amounts for the year commencing May 2015. There was a discussion and it was decided to make it an agenda item for the February 2015 meeting. It was also suggested that the 3 people involved in collection of monies, selling numbers and help year round in the 200 club should as a thank you be given a free number that would be included in each monthly draw. KH stated he would make enquiries to ascertain under the Lottery Act that it was legal to do that.

15/15 Apologies received from Sam Godkin.

16/15 Minutes of meeting held on 9 December 2014, confirmed and signed.

17/15 Matters arising: Induction loop awaits further information; oven grill working; Food Consumer Regulation 2014: KH briefly explained this new Act came into force 13 December 2014, would not involve at the present time the Village Hall kitchen, however, we were obliged to exhibit a notice on food allergies (14) in the hall for information of users of the kitchen. The information on allergies will be copied and displayed on the notice board (SC).

18/15 + 19/15 Treasurers update/VH fees: CW had previously circulated a spreadsheet of income and expenditure up to date, and explained that at financial year's end a possible £3000 surplus for year 2014 had been made. The Christmas party had made a small loss, as was expected. The paperwork for the investment of £20,000 into a 12 month savings account had been completed and was on way to our bank. The Village Hall insurance renewal had been received at a sum of £529, a slight increase on 2014 figure. This was being renewed. CW recommended that the fees for hiring the Village Hall stay

as they are at present. No new facilities had been added to the hall to incur an increase, plus cost of heating and lighting may decrease over the 2015 period. The cost of running the hall was being monitored all the time.

20/15 VH Architect Plans: KH explained the present position - the plans had been circulated to the committee and the open afternoon for villagers had resulted in a very small turnout on the day. KH had arranged in light of information from various sources to see the architect at the VH on Monday 19th, 3.30 p.m., to further expand on the plans. Ice Energy heating engineers were coming on Thursday 15th, 3.15 p.m., to give advice on suitable heating etc., for the hall and the possible extensions. There was then a discussion regarding the new draft plans, and it was agreed by all that on Sunday 18th, 11 am. the PVHMC would meet at the VH to study the plans together in relation to the site, itemise a list of concerns and draw up a detailed brief on what is required to update the hall. KH to inform the architect that the meeting on the 19th would be postponed.

21/15 Functions/Election/AGM and updates: The next function is the Pop-Up Pub on 27 February. To be discussed at next meeting. KH stated that the Community Led Plan (CLP) village meeting was to be held on 20 March 2015, commencing 6.30 p.m. KH stated that the Ukulele Band had been booked on behalf of the village hall and pub night on 27 November 2015. AC stated that The Greatest Hits Choir would hold a concert in the Village Hall on Sunday 5 July 2015, and surplus funds would be donated to the Village Hall and the church. SC stated that she had liaised with Cherwell Council over the Village Hall use for the general election in May and had agreed a hiring fee. The Village Hall AGM would be held on 12 May 2015, 7 p.m. start.

22/15 Dart board: KH had purchased a dart board, which will need to be hung correctly in the hall. It was suggested that certain people in the village be approached who may help in this task, hopefully prior to next Pop-up-Pub night, end February 2015.

23/15 Equipment tables: KH stated that he had approached Tim Hallchurch BEM, our County Councillor, for his endorsement of an application to replace the old cast-iron brown tables with ten new white ones at a cost of £449.50. An application was made on 10 December 2014, was endorsed by Mr

Hallchurch, and confirmation from Oxfordshire County Council had confirmed that the application was successful and the money would be paid into the VH bank account so that the tables could be purchased. Thanks were voiced for Mr Hallchurch's support and to KH for his sterling efforts in chasing up sources of funding for the VH.

24/15 Bottle bank: MCN told the meeting she had been in touch with Cherwell Council in relation to a possible bottle bank being situated in the grounds of the VH. Cherwell were told that, although the idea was good, the village hall car park was not suitable for a number of reasons - space, children's play area and the possibility of broken glass, noise and supervision of collections, etc. It was suggested to Cherwell that a site inspection was needed to see the problems, plus we could check on other locations in and around the village that possibly may be more suitable. MCN would deal with this.

25/15 Website update: HC stated it was up to date; some new photographs had been added.

26/16 Any Other Business: HC had produced labels to be put on the refuse bins to identify what went in where. CW and YW will attach them. There was a problem that they may not be weather proofed. JG stated he would arrange for them to be made to withstand weather conditions. LG asked that the children's play area be placed on next agenda.

Meeting closed at 9.25 p.m. Next meeting Tuesday 10 February 2015.