

Minutes of the Enford Village Hall Committee Meeting

held on 13th March 2018 at 7.30 pm

Present: Judy D'Arcy Irvine, Hannah Tucker, Hamish Scott-Dalgleish and David Spencer

Apologies: Anthony D'Arcy Irvine, Ollie Stagg, Rosemary Cox

Not Present: Jane Young, Jacqui Elkins

Minutes of Committee Meeting of 16th January 2018

Judy advised that new tables had been ordered, but no interest in the old tables from local halls. New benches had been secured to flagstones and flagstones levelled and secured. Estimate to repair hand rail £1000! Shutters serviced and quote being obtained to make it be possible to manually operate 2 shutters if necessary. Pewsey Vale Male Choir attracted about 45 persons.

Lively discussion re the siting of the firework display launching site on the playing field. Hannah adamant that the site should be 50 metres from her field shelter. Hamish alerted her to the difficulty of achieving this in the current location. Hannah recommended that the field to the East of the hall would be the ideal location which she thought was tenanted to Jane Young and Bruce Waight. More research needed.

Mandy Farrow of the Enford Community advised the committee (via Hamish) that she was prepared to clean any leaves etc off the shelter roof and place a person at the shelter with a fire extinguisher throughout the display. Hannah thought this would not be useful as her concern was if a firework should land on the shelter and upset her horses.

Judy explained that if a solution could not be found, the firework display would have to be cancelled with the resultant loss of income and community participation. A meeting of the parties was proposed but we need to find out who has tenancy of the adjacent field and if that tenant would be amenable to the fireworks being launched from there.

Treasurer's report

Hannah produced up to date figures which were reviewed. Income and expenditure down resulting in a serviceable position but care needs to be exercised on expenditure (see later)

Chairman's report

Judy confirmed she had negotiated a 2 year price on electricity which would be in the region of 10% above current expenditure. She also explained that a new Hallmaster (booking) system was about to come on line which had its own complications. She had been to a Village Hall Data Protection seminar which would require more stringent processes to be adhered to.

Closed Circuit Television

It was resolved that the committee would install CCTV to protect the hall installed by Aker Security protection. Judy would ensure that the most up to date equipment would be used. The committee preferred Aker over TH White after discussion.

Maintenance report

David advised the committee that the Emergency lights had failed their inspection by Crown Security & Fire and would have to be replaced at a cost of £797 plus Vat. Our insurance might be invalidated if not implemented.

There was also a problem with some of the parking lights which were ineffective due to leakage. This may cost approximately £250 plus vat.

Grounds report

Hamish had failed to resolve the mole issue mainly because Martin Woodruffe did not have time to do it. His own efforts had been ineffective. He felt he ought to attack the issue earlier in the autumn and had left it too late this year. He also said he had had to incur some costs on his tractor (max £150).

Junior football, gardening club, short mat bowls were all reported to be going well.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday, 8th May 2018 at 7.30pm