

## Minutes of Ordinary meeting held at The Jubilee Hall, Monday 2nd February 2015, at 6 p.m.

**Present:** John Sullivan, Paula Bramley Ball, Norman Good, Sarah Gleadell, Sandy Wells, Terry Goodman, Phil Kershaw, Karen Hodgson, Chloe Besley

**Apologies:** Janet Hendon, Marj Fowler, Kate Langridge

1. **Approval of Agenda** Approved
2. **Approval of Minutes** Approved and signed, after Chloe Besley's name had been added (left off by mistake)
3. **Hall Booking report. (see attached report)** Sandy Wells reported that 64 hours less in 2014, but still better than 2013. School events and the Double Diamond event were very successful. We are getting more weekend bookings, which is encouraging, and January 2015 bookings are well up on Jan 2014
4. **Financial Report and Lottery report** Phil Kershaw reported that that Lottery sales are going well, with 100 tickets already sold. It was decided to do monthly draws at the Jubilee Cafe in future, from April onwards once ticket sales have closed for the year. Phil said that the Licensing Law is to be changed before the forthcoming election which hopefully may make things easier/better for village halls. We will wait to see what happens before doing anything. The Annual Charity Commission return has been submitted. The question of the heating surcharge was raised, given that the price of oil has gone down considerably. After discussion, when John Sullivan pointed out that hire charges have not gone up at all since the refurbishment, it was decided that we would keep the surcharge for the time being, reconsider in the Autumn and make sure that it is explained in the next Annual Report. John Sullivan also said that we will continue the CCS subscription and that we need to reapply for Hallmark 3 in the summer.
5. **Maintenance projects**
  - Windows** John Sullivan reported that Jamie Orr-Ewing has produced estimate for replacing the other two big windows - £5,750 for the pair, inc double glazing. If we also do the one in the Parish Office, the total bill would be £8,125. John Sullivan has spoken to Sue Osborne who is lobbying SSDC on our behalf. She has the drawing. Planning permission will probably be needed, also a grant towards cost (a small amount may be forthcoming from SSDC, and we could try Awards for All). All agreed that we should proceed
  - Signage.** New disabled access sign is up and looking good.
  - Garden wall repair.** Phil Kershaw says that wall needs strengthening before clearance - he will arrange this
  - Garden maintenance** Will is recovering and will hopefully be fit enough by Spring to do lawn cutting, planting etc.
  - Rotten door frames in both sets of toilets.** Sandy Wells agreed to ask Simon Preston to fix these. Sarah Gleadell mentioned that loo roll holder in lefthand ladies loo needs refixing.
7. **Fund raising.**
  - Fundraising Dinner** This is now to be called 'Winsham Abbey' (copyright reasons!) and will be held on Saturday 28th February. Invitations have gone out and it is on the eletter. Sarah Gleadell reported that we are hoping for a good turnout Usual price of £12.50 per head for supper, byo wine
  - Any other Business.**

Various people remarked that the heaters in the committee room are not working well and are probably past their sell-by date. They date back to when the Committee Room was built, so are pretty old. Unanimous decision that they should be replaced. Sandy Wells will ask Keith Fowler to replace them both with new wall heaters.

Karen Hodgson reported that the 'Pet Portraits' have been very popular. She has a few new ones in hand

Sarah Gleadell mentioned that some of the chairs are looking a bit grubby. John Sullivan and Jan have volunteered to have a go at them, using some special potion that they have got access to. They will test for colour-fastness first.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 30th March 2015, 6.00pm –Jubilee Hall**