Minutes of meeting held at The Jubilee Hall, 7 March 2023

Present: John Sullivan, Bryan Goodman, Sarah Gleadell, Sandy Wells, Terry Goodman, Chloe Besley, Karen Hodgson, Paul Welters, Karen Whitworth, Trevor Harris

Apologies: Paula Bramley Ball, Steve Weller

John Sullivan generous provided wine and nibbles for his 85th birthday celebration as the meeting began. Much appreciated by all concerned.

- 1. Approval of Agenda Approved
- 2. Approval of Minutes Approved & signed
- 3. **Hall Booking Report.** Sandy Wells produced a table of hours booked, along with her interesting, comprehensive and informative report (attached). Booking hours are encouraging, largely thanks to new groups Pilates, Table Tennis and Short Mat Bowls, but are still well down on pre-pandemic levels. There are 4 extra bookings for March.
- 4. **Financial Report.** Bryan Goodman's report is attached, showing expenditure for year to date of just over £13,000, with income of just of £15,000. This surplus is normal for this time of year as income has been boosted due to lottery sales (much increased this year due to hand delivered mailshot to every house in the parish). Bryan was thanked for his hard work in starting up the short mat bowls club, which is proving popular and has cost us nothing as all equipment has been donated.
- 5. **Maintenance report.** Incorporated into BG's attached financial report (see above) Little maintenance has been necessary apart from replacement of hand wash heater in kitchen. Keith Fowler has updated various lighting fitments, generously not charging for his labour. He also does our PAT testing for free.
- 6, Consideration of John Sullivan's Global Warming memo (attached). A general discussion took place, concerning eventual replacement of oil heating (air source and ground source unlikely to be suitable, some form of electric most likely). Insulation of roof is a major issue as impossible to do on inside of existing roof structure without false ceiling, which would not work with our tall windows. Eventually it was agreed that a sub-committee would be formed, to keep an eye on possible grant funding and to review the situation at regular intervals. John Sullivan, Bryan Goodman, Paul Welters, Karen Hodgson and Sarah Gleadell volunteered to form this sub-committee.
- 8. **Current policy on Covid** Covid is still around. After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the current guidelines would remain in place and on view to hirers, but that enforcement is not currently necessary: it is up to each hirer to decide how they prefer to act.
- 9. **Coronation Celebration 6/7 May.** It was agreed that the Jubilee Hall would be made available at no charge as a possible venue for village celebrations if weather is inclement. Bryan Goodman pointed out that the BBC has announced that no special TV licence will be needed for Coronation week so it could be shown in the JH if need be.
- 10. **Revised Constitution.** John Sullivan was thanked for his hard work in getting the Constitution revised and approved by the Charity Commission. The revised version is now on the website and has been notified to the village via the e:letter.
- 11. **AGM 2023** It was agreed that the will take place AGM on **Tuesday 27 June 2023 at 6 p.m.**

12. **AOB**

i)John Sullivan raised the importance of having plans in place for succession of officers, who will obviously eventually be retiring. John is now aged 85 and pointed out that he cannot continue indefinitely and that it would be sensible to elect a Vice Chairman as well as finding understudies for the other officers. Sandy Wells, who lives opposite, is ideally placed as bookings officer and key holder: however anyone replacing her would possibly need to set up on line booking system and an automated access system. It was agreed that it would be helpful to her and

sensible to set up cameras in the entrance lobby to record times of hirer arrival and departure. Adrian Spiller of AS Security is coming to quote for this (likely cost £410 +VAT).

- ii) Paul Welters reported (see attached report and photos) that he has now visited both Lavinia Grant Ives, owner of the main high wall next to the JH garden, and Diana Kershaw, whose property abuts the end of the garden. Having inspected both walls carefully, Paul is of the opinion that deterioration is bound to continue, but that the weakest part of the structure is the high gable end of the demolished building in Lavinia's garden, which is alongside Diana's garden. However, if this deteriorates further, there is a very strong chance it would also affect the end corner of the wall between Lavinia's property and the Jubilee Hall. It was agreed that we should continue to monitor the situation but no immediate action to be taken.
- 13. Date of next meeting (which will be pre AGM meeting) is Tuesday 13th June 2023 at 6 p.m.