Paulton Village Hall Charity

Minutes of the AGM held on Tuesday 22nd January 2019 at 7.00 pm held in the Meeting Room at the Village Hall, Farrington Road, Paulton.

Trustees present – T Bridgeman, G Dix, L Hardman, J Humphries, A Lyons, P McSherry, C Mitchard, L Quinn, B Stevens and H Warren.

Also present - Clerk to the Trustees, Jo Swift

1. CHAIRMAN FOR 2019

The information in the agenda was noted.

2. TO RECEIVE ANY APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors H Howson and M Stevens

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Resolved – that the minutes of the meeting held on 28th November 2017 were approved by those present as a true record and signed by the Chair.

4. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

It is great to be able to report that the Village Hall continues to be used extremely well by casual and long term hirers.

During the past twelve months there have been many enhancements to this village facility, some of which have been extremely necessary, with one incurring major expenditure.

- Two new Combi boilers.
- Corroded radiator replaced along with rusted pipes.
- New water boiler for the kitchen as repair was not cost effective.
- Various kitchen incidental items: polycarbonate glasses and jugs, teapots and teaspoons.
- The roof needed minor repairs with the replacement for a few missing tiles.

A grant for the redecoration of the entrance hall, kitchen, toilets and storage areas was sent to the Sperring Trust, but unfortunately, we were unsuccessful this time, but we can apply again this year - 2019.

The Lectern has now been purchased and sited in the Purnell Memorial Garden giving residents an insight to the history of Mr Purnell and the printing works, which was originally where the Barratt and Bovis houses now stand.

The hanging baskets and troughs around the Village Hall have yet again been a marvellous display and even in the extreme heat of 2018 remained vibrant for the whole summer.

The small area in the car park at the entrance to the play area is going to be smartened up by our Groundsman with (maybe) the help of Acorn nursery children who are one of our hirers of the village hall. Hopefully this area will soon see some planting which will enhance that particular entrance and at the same time giving the children fun and excitement while they plant and then watch things grow.

On behalf of the Trustees, a big thank you to the Admin team and Clerk for the smooth running of this fabulous facility.

Agenda item 6 was taken before 5

5. DISABLED TOILET

Resolved – to agree, in principle, to converting the downstairs toilet by the office into a public toilet with access from outside, subject to finding out the following:

Check with utility company if necessary, in respect of the electricals in the toilet

Provide a more exact quote to include the outside works - ramp

Provide a price to get the toilet cleaned each day

Seek permission from the Diocese

Find out if planning permission will be required

The Clerk said that the Parish Council could give a grant to the Village Hall to pay for the works, but the VAT would not be able to be claimed back. The Clerk expressed concerns about where the money would come from as the Parish Council had only just agreed the budget for 2019/20.

6. SIGNAGE FOR THE MEMORIAL PARK

Resolved – (i) that 5 signs are purchased from Bath signs (ii) to be positioned at the entrances by the existing CCTV signs (iii) the wording on the sign to be as below and (iv) the Parish Council will pay for the signs:

PLEASE NOTE

THE NEAREST PUBLIC TOILET IS AT THE RED LION CAR PARK

7. FENCE IN VILLAGE HALL

Resolved – that the work goes ahead as per the proposal in the report.

8. VILLAGE HALL

Resolved – that the rent the Village Hall charges the Parish Council will increase to \pounds 800 per quarter from 1st April 2019.

9. AUDITOR REPORT

The information in the report was noted. A constitution will be written for the Village Hall as mentioned in the report and brought to a future meeting for approval.

10. ACCOUNTS OF THE CHARITY FOR 1ST JANUARY 2018 TO 31ST DECEMBER 2018

Resolved – that the accounts were approved and noted.

11. ANNUAL BUDGET

Resolved – that the 2019 budget was approved.

12. QUESTIONS

A question was asked – where does the border of the Village Hall and the Memorial Park lie i.e. where does one area end and the other area start.

This will be investigated and depending on the findings, the fencing project, mentioned in the above minute (no. 7) the cost of the project will be charged accordingly.

Signed as a true record:

Chairman:

Date: