

SHOTTESWELL VILLAGE HALL MEETING HELD ON 9TH JANUARY 2020 (021)

PRESENT: B. Zammett, H. Wareing, L. Clark, T. Clark, A. Omer. C. Jeffrey, V. Ingram, J. Beaumont, J. Coogan.

APOLOGIES: None

MINUTES: Minutes of the last meeting were approved and signed. Proposed HW, seconded JB.

MATTERS ARISING: Ben explained a few problems with the installation of the heating. Prices had been sought to build a partition wall in the ladies' cloakroom to close off the pressurized tank area and the control unit which would be moved to under the window. Big Lottery would pay █████ from the contingency for the partition wall with a Perspex window above the door. This could be installed on 18th January. Another light would be needed in the area in front of the partition wall and the radiator would need to be replaced by a smaller one. Terry would purchase and collect a new radiator 500mm x 400mm priced £34 from B & Q. Retherm were coming back on Monday. The radiator in the side hall was not working. Waste water from the ladies' wash basin was coming into the men's urinals.

LETTINGS: Ben reported that there were lots of bookings in February; all weekends were taken. The yoga classes had been cancelled but there was a new enquiry from someone in the village to run a yoga class. Terry was going to run a quiz on February 15th with food and raffle. Food to be decided.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Terry reported that the balance held was £12263 (£3880 of which in the Coventry Building Society). Having paid the decorator £4800 he would transfer █████ back into the CBS soon. The electrician will be paid £1600 next week. He had fitted a new control panel and also linked smoke alarms – a new regulation. Consideration of installing a 'hot tap' had been dropped as we usually needed a lot of hot water in a short space of time.

REOPENING EVENT: Ben reported that our M.P. Jeremy Wright had accepted the invitation to formally open the hall by cutting a ribbon (12.30 to 12.45) on 25th January. Both councillors and all the contractors were expected. We had received a donation towards the event from a villager which we would put towards two celebration cakes made by Emily Pearson. More cakes/nibbles would be bought. Jan would get more crockery from Mollington Village Hall.

CHAIRS: Our recent bid to Banbury Charities for new chairs had been rejected but the Big Lottery had said that they could possibly increase our grant fund for 40 new chairs. HW said that there was a bid in with Screwfix for a grant for chairs. Since the first bid to Banbury Charities ten chairs of the twenty which were stored in St. Laurence church had been damaged (possibly by mice) and were unusable leaving only 22 upholstered red chairs. We discussed replacement pads and looked at examples of veneered chairs. One quote for 36 chairs came to █████. Ben said that we may have to part match The Big Lottery's money towards them. There were various views and Ben said that we needed to be in a position to make a decision by the next meeting on 11th February. Jan would advertise the damaged chairs to see if there was any interest, otherwise they would go on the skip which was to be removed on 22nd January.

POLICIES: All current policies except the Trustee Policy underwent a 12 monthly review. There were no changes needed and Ben signed each policy.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 11th February at 7.30 p.m. The committee would meet on the 19th January to carry out a thorough clean of the hall ready for the re-opening on 25th.

A.O.B. Linda said that she would issue a cleaning rota to cover the next six months.