

SHOTTESWELL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 16TH SEPTEMBER 2020 (028)

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

APOLOGIES. None.

MINUTES. Minutes of 13th August were approved and signed. (Proposed HW; seconded AO.)

MATTERS ARISING.

A Zoom meeting had been held on 26th August to discuss the film night. This had now been cancelled and we would try again in the Spring.

The problem with water meter still needed to be sorted out.

The Fogging machine was now ready to hire out after BZ and HW had drawn up a hire agreement. There had been some interest shown.

Profits from sale of masks had raised £203.30 which had already been given to the church and there was another £70 to go to them. HW said that there was some Christmas material on order to make seasonal face-masks.

There was still interest in the Book Club and JC said she was happy to continue running it.

BZ offered to draw up a further cleaning rota.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

TC reported that there was £16,633 in the bank. Recent income was £206 from Breakfast Club, £90 from Tuesday Club (two months) and £60 from the WRCC for the advert on our flyer. Expenditure included £377 on the Fogger, £144 for trimming the acer tree and £100 for the deposit for a film with Portable Pictures.

LETTINGS.

BZ reported that Tickle for Pickles would be back for approx. 10 hours per week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. The boot camp run by a villager may be moving into the hall. The PCC would be using the hall for its AGM. Tuesday Club had cancelled for the time being owing to restrictions.

BREAKFASTS.

BZ confirmed that Breakfast Club could carry on as we were a charity raising money and selling food. Plans were made for the forthcoming breakfast which would entail a second shift of people taking over at 11.30 a.m.

COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT.

There were no changes and we were waiting for a WRCC report.

WARM HUB.

BZ explained more about this WRCC/Cadent initiative which we had discussed before. WRCC approached us as they were keen to start one in the county after the original one was set up in Northumberland. Our hall could possibly be used by emergency services for fire safety talks or talks by the police re Safer Neighbourhoods and there would be inter-village reciprocity with the surrounding area. There was a possibility that there could be an upgrading to the kitchen funded by Cadent, which would require plans and costings. BZ said that this was an initiative which could go ahead in spite of Covid.

AGM/TRUSTEES.

It was agreed to hold the AGM on Tuesday, 17th November by Zoom due to Covid restrictions. A link for Zoom would be in the newsletter which would be delivered just beforehand so that any villagers could join the meeting. There was discussion about approaching people to become committee members/trustees.

MAINTENANCE.

BZ reported that the steps and cage plinth had been done and we were waiting for the handrail and some tarmac round the base of the steps. David had also erected the cage for us. It was agreed that we would speak to him about the repair of the coping on the boundary wall.

Windows. BZ said measurements and plans had been done and we would press ahead with application.

Electrician. The power had gone off twice during the last breakfast and we had brought in an electrician to investigate the cause but he was unable to find out what was wrong.

Wall to rear. We were still monitoring the situation re the vertical crack which our neighbours had some concern about. TC said he considered that only lateral movement had occurred and did not think it was moving outwards. DM opinion had been sought while he was on site.

A.O.B.

It was agreed that Claire Jeffrey should obtain a food hygiene certificate and that the Village Hall would pay for it.

Cleaning. BZ said we needed to decide whether to extend the booking of Dolly Mops whose last clean was due in October but no decision had to be made immediately.

Track and Trace. Ben had produced QR Code notices to enable people to use the track and trace app.

Electrical works. It was agreed to install an external electrical socket which can be isolated and timed from inside, the cost being approximately £300. Proposed HW; seconded CJ. It was also agreed to purchase new external festive lights and a Christmas tree. CJ to choose and TC to organize transport.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. AGM on 17th November, 2020.

Approved by committee 10th November 2020

B. Zammett