

SHOTTESWELL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11TH MAY 2021 (036). By Zoom.

PRESENT. BZ, HW, TC, LC, AO, JC, GN, EB, HJ

APOLOGIES. CJ

MINUTES. Minutes of 9th March were approved. Prop. JC; sec. AO.

Minutes of 24th April were approved. Prop. GN; sec. HW.

CHAIRMAN'S COMMENTS AND MATTERS ARISING.

TC had purchased a plant tub and compost and installed it near the man entrance. The webinars (WRCC) had been well received. Representatives from Stretton-under-Fosse had visited with WRCC to discuss Warm Hub. WCAVA have paid us £100 The fire extinguishers had been serviced and the PAT testing done. It had been agreed by email that we should obtain another Energy Performance Certificate as the previous one was now null and void. We have achieved a 'B' rating up from a 'G'. The certificate would be laminated and displayed. The PPL/PPS music licence was due for renewal.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Terry reported that there was £28,264 in the bank. Since 9th March we have received a lockdown grant of £8000 and a refund from Waterplus of £417.90. There was also income from four lots of outside training held at the hall.

Expenditure:	Bleed kit	£600	
	Screens for Covid testing	£349.50	
	Energy Performance Certificate	£285.00	
	Heating system evaluation	£240	
	Garrett Electrical	£783	Dishwasher point, Emergency lighting, Replacement extractor fan & PAT testing
	Capping/pointing of front wall	££425	

A Smartmeter had been installed. The heating system is responsible for the excess use of electricity.

LETTINGS.

Ben reported that bookings were busy. From 17th May Tai Chi and other exercise classes could start. Weekly bookings of Tickles for Pickles (3), Tuesday Club and Moo music. The First Aid classes organiser wants two or three more dates and they/we will advertise them. Classes are limited to 10 and there is a waiting list. There can be no private parties held in the hall until 21st June. Three successive Tuesdays in June had been booked for training and Ben explained that Tuesday Club had been hesitant to commit and did not confirm when they would be coming back so the training was booked in as bookings are always operated on a first come, first served basis. Ladies will recommence the first Saturday in the month lunches from September and have booked the hall until the end of 2021. Hilary said that she was going to help the Saturday lunch team on their first time back. Deposits – should the Covid-19 rules change people would get their deposit back and deposits were charged on a risk factor, e.g. Ben would refer to the committee before taking an 18th birthday party booking.

MAINTENANCE.

Walls. The capping and pointing on the front wall had been done and some pointing of the wall at the rear needed doing. The builder would look at the brick wall at the back of the shed as there was a reported of bulging.

Building. George noted that the roof valley towards the church was full of moss and needed clearing. Ben replied that he had some chimney rods which might do the job. There was a gap between the mullion and the transom of the east window. George wondered whether the guttering were big enough to cope with a lot of rainwater and Ben reported that the downpipe had already been moved.

Shed. George reported that the bearers on the front right of the shed were completely rotten and the shed flooring needed looking at.

HEATING.

A NIBE approved engineer from XpertEnergy of Reading came out yesterday as we couldn't get a reply from Baxters. He considered that the heating was poorly designed and installed. We had written to Retherm about six weeks ago and received no reply. It was proposed that three T.R.V.'s be fitted first and if that didn't work we would have to look at redesigning with a buffer vessel and two independent loops. All agreed that we should go with a plumber to fit the TRV.'s. Quotes to be obtained. George considered that the pipes also needed lagging. All agreed.

GRANTS.

Cadent wouldn't give us the grant for the awning although two members of the committee had been told separately that we would get it. There is an application in with WRCC Green Shoot Climate application for a grant for the E.V. point, new windows and LED lights. All agreed that we should seek permission for the back hall window and the small kitchen window to be replaced in UPVC.

KITCHEN.

We are at the first stage of the grant application and will hear in June for a decision as to whether we can progress. Ben said we had a consensus on option 1 for the kitchen fittings: Delaware stone for the work surface, tarragon flooring, cashmere doors and promenade Splashback.

BREAKFAST. The Breakfast Club would be held outside with no deliveries. Anne would be helping and Linda, Terry and Em would be cleaning up afterwards.

CINEMA NIGHT. Discussion took place and we concluded that a Friday night would not be popular and that it was risky to hold the event outdoors. A deposit of £100 had been paid. Em would explore options for a monthly film event as run in surrounding villages and come back to us at the next meeting.

COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT. This is on our website. Ben and Hilary had reviewed and assessed and the meeting approved it. We are now on Version 11, soon to be 12.

A.O.B.

We considered whether we needed another deep clean and the difficulty of cleaning between the lets but having three on the rota at a time was helpful and other people could always step in.

We recorded our thanks to Eloise Upton who comes off the committee at the end of May.

Notice-board. We needed another internal notice-board and some favoured getting another, maybe smaller, to match and put on the adjoining wall rather than get a larger board.

Covid-19 testing. It was agreed to continue until the end of the month with Saturday morning tests as the take-up had been most disappointing. We have a stock of self-testing (LFT) kits which we can issue and people could request these via the SVH website or in person at the hall.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. Tuesday 8th June in the hall and by Zoom. 7.30 p.m. start.

Approved by Committee 8th June 2021

B. Jammett