

SHOTTESWELL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2023 ( 953)

PRESENT: B. Zammett, L. Clark, T. Clark, C. Jeffrey, A. Omer, G. Nell, J. Coogan, H. Wareing, H. Jordan, J. Barker.

APOLOGIES: None.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING: Minutes of 21<sup>st</sup> March were approved (prop. TC, sec. JC) and signed.

MATTERS ARISING:

The fault with the sound on the projector and screen could not be replicated when Blinkhorns came. We will keep a spare phone to use with the projector.

The Access Policy had been signed.

Details re running film nights would be chased up.

Baxters will be coming out to check the fault with the heating which has occurred since the heating was serviced in January. It could be a software issue. In the meantime Legionella tests have been carried out manually.

The new birthday board was on order.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Current balance of £3515.00 in C.B.S. and £11296 in the Coventry. There is £80 to be paid in and £26 to be paid out.

The last SSE invoice was grossly underestimated at £100, due to technical issues with the Smart Meter they have informed us, which means that the bill in July will be over £1000. We must press ahead with solar panels so that we can generate half of our electricity. A Utility Aid comparison of costs was discussed versus buying direct from SSE. Utility Aid's prices include 2p per unit for themselves. It was agreed that we would consider this again at the next meeting as we weren't convinced that we should tie ourselves into a three year contract in these uncertain times.

The Race Night was well attended and raised £402.

Hanwell Action Group still hadn't paid their invoice for £18 for the hire of hall on 27 April.

Lettings were averaging £370 per month but we need 15 hours per week to cover our overheads. Comparisons were made with figures for lettings and fundraising last year.

We considered a three year contract with WaterPlus and will check whether we can get a saving by setting up a DD.

LAND REGISTRY:

A price would be obtained from the solicitor and agreement among ourselves would be made by email.

PUBLICITY /FUNDRAISING:

JB had produced an A5 poster for discussion and comment. Some phrases were refined and it was agreed that a photo of the hall just before a breakfast should be used. We would display banners on the corner of Second Turn and in the car park but not before the fete. Film Night could be a regular source of income.

A.O.B.

A grant of £350 was available from the County councillor and it was agreed to apply to use it for eight matching chairs to take the total up to 40.

A letter had been received from T.V. licensing and we had replied that we do not have a T.V. at the hall.

JB queried the E.V. charger rate and whether we should change it. Also, we should consider a way for users to leave their contact details.

The cleaning rota was deemed OK by everyone and availability for breakfast rota was checked.

The meeting closed at 9.00 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 11<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30 pm

**Approved by Committee – 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

*B Zammatt*