

TACKLEY VILLAGE HALL
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

22 February 2018

Present : Barbara Vaughan (Chair), Doreen Havord, Katie Hofman, Pat Rolfe, Les Summers, Mike Willemite.

The meeting was opened at 19.00 with Ms Vaughan in the Chair, who welcomed Geoff Chambers, Dawn Chambers, June Collier and Barbara Summers, members of the public.

Apologies : Jan Grimwood.

1. Minutes of the 2017 AGM

Approved by LAS and seconded by MW.

2. Matters arising

None.

3. Financial Report

2017 was a year of consolidation following on from what was an interesting 2016 when we had a record income year along with a lot of costs relating to refurbishing the Hall – approximately £14000 being spent on ceiling tiles, tables and chairs, painting and decorating, curtains, and hand dryers.

Income and expenditure 2017 returned to normal levels with the exception of the need to replace/repair the ground source heat pump.

Whilst this was a large unexpected cost it was felt that in the long run we will benefit – this being more so as we intend to extend the heating system – i.e. putting more radiators into the building.

You will see from the attached sheet that other than for the Ground Source Heat pump we would have made a healthy surplus – this shows that our day to day ‘trading’ is sound.

Attached are two schedules.

The first shows basic income and expenditure figures and bank account movement – there is a three year comparison

The other schedule details income and expenditure along with a 2016/2017 comparison

In conclusion I consider that Tackley Village Hall to be in a financially sound position – I would emphasise that all the improvements done so far have only been possible due to the obtaining

of grants (BV) and fund raising activities, so whilst the bank balance looks healthy, and there are more improvements to be made, there is no room for complacency.

Income and expenditure as at 22nd February 2018.

Income to date £3531.50

Expenditure 3205.65

Income over expenditure £325.85

Bank balance £9443.11

Float 150.00

There are two major items of expenditure arising in the near future

New Radiators £5000 - hopefully a grant of £3000 to help with this

Electrical upgrade £2600 * inc VAT

- At the last meeting I indicated that the costs to bring the electrical system up to scratch would be approx. £1400 (ex VAT) – however I have since meet with Lowe & Oliver and discussed the requirements –
It seems to me that we should also be looking to incorporate most of the items they list as
NOTES -
These are mainly items relating to the repair of, or addition of, security and emergency lighting.
I have asked Lowe & Oliver to finalise their quote and come back to us – I will report to the committee with figure and facts before committing us.
*Re this item – I have asked the Parish Council if they would consider assisting with payment of this item.

Hall Charges

I have set up a new pricing schedule to take effect on the 1st April –

Mary McIntyre is updating the website with the revised figures – the site does need further work as not all the information on it is either correct or relevant.

4. Chairman's Report

As ever, another good year for TVH. I am delighted to say that 2017 was another good year with so many exciting events. Over all we have gained another £3500 in grants as well as our usual fund raising (pop up pub, events and hire). You have heard from Mike that when the cost of the additional radiators is taken out we are still in profit. Again there are so many thanks that it is difficult to know where to start.

As far as grants are concerned we have been successful in applying to TOE2 – who have supported us yet again to extend the radiators supported by the heat source pump. This

means that virtually all the heating in the village hall will come from this source which will have a very significant impact on our fuel bills.

Local fund raising

- As in previous years the pop up pub remains a great success which is a truly family oriented service. Thanks to Tim Chapple for the initial idea and for the ongoing help of willing bar staff. New recruits to this include Kevin and family (including the boys), Keith and others. Tim, Mat and Graham are still there to give a hand took and so many other people lent a hand behind the bar, collecting the empties doing the washing up and so forth.
- In case you missed it Gus was back on Saturday 6th May for another wonderful session.

We held less in the way of more formal fund raising this year but plenty more to keep us busy.

So what have we been able to do?

The new paint work, curtains, tables and chairs have stood the test of time really well and users have been very thoughtful in not using sellotape and blue tack on the walls for which we are very grateful.

Eileen has helped yet again in clearing the storage space we have to create room for more orderly access. This year was the turn of the cupboard in the committee room cleared out the electric meter cupboard and taken a vast amount to rubbish to the tip.

We do hope you like our 'new look' village hall and would like to thank you all for helping us to keep it looking smart and fresh. We are still not quite there (e.g. blinds on the inside windows and possibly the crush area; finish painting throughout the building, and tidy up the bar. It is a never ending task which we could not achieve without support from the village but hope we have succeeded in making it such an attractive venue for other groups and individuals events.

There are always some special thanks to the committee members and to friends of Tackley Village Hall. My comments stand from last year in valuing their support so highly. They remain a great team to work with.

There a few more without whom we could not manage so thanks on behalf of the Tackley Village Hall Committee too:

- Firstly to all our helpers without whom we could not manage mending, fixing, roof work and generally helping us keep TVH in good repair.
- To Mary McIntyre who continues to support us as a community service by the wonderful work she does through communication, advertising design support and sometimes star gazing, of course, the Tackley Calendar profits of which go to TVH.

A year on and Tackley Village Hall continues to be widely used by both Tackley residents and other organisations which helps to generate income for its ongoing maintenance. We have ongoing challenges and plans for the future.

The heat pump for the ground source heat has been replaced (largely funded by Toe2 grants). However our discussion with Ofgem in relation to the Feed in Tariff is ongoing.

Martin (Gardiners Arms) has been collaborating over the last year with the pop up pub which does reduce our income but also takes a lot of pressure off the actual running. It is a system which works well for all concerned.

We will be trying to find some extra grant money to finish the painting, do some work on the bar area and gain approval for the kitchen as a formal food preparation area. Admittedly this would mean a bit of extra paper work but would be a very useful cover to have.

Thank you for your interest.

5. Election of Officers

The following officers were elected :

Chairman : Ms B Vaughan

Vice-Chairman : Mr L Summers

Treasurer : Mr M Willemite

Secretary : Mrs K Hofman

Booking clerk : Mr Denver

Group representatives

Methodist Church : Mrs J Grimwood

Silver Threads : Mrs D Havord

Committee members : Mrs P Rolfe, Mrs M Bolton.

6. Any other Business:

Dawn Chambers asked what fundraising proposals are in place, and BV reported that she has details of a touring theatre company.

Geoff Chambers asked if the pop-up pub will continue, and BV reported that Martin has not said that he wouldn't continue to support it. MW will check this with Martin.

Dawn Chambers raised the possibility of replacing the fixed stage with a moveable one. BV reported that further details on costings, flexibility of use of the space and the village opinion should be sought before any further plans are made, but that she would welcome a working task group to look into these issues. Dawn agreed to liaise with her and others regarding this.

BV enquired as to the whereabouts of the lighting bar, and June Collier and Geoff Chambers reported that it had been returned through the bar hatch to the roofing space.

June Collier thanked the Committee for putting the word "Memorial" into the Hall documents. BV reported that Pierre Macke is re-producing the memorial plaque with a

protective coating.

June Collier proposed that she approach the vicar and suggest that the 2018 Remembrance Day service be held in the Village Memorial Hall at 10.30am on Sunday 11 November 2018, which suggestion was unanimously approved. All the usual groups could be involved, and the event would be held during the day and in a central venue, which might encourage more people to attend.

June Collier raised the issue of the expansion of the shop and the coffee shop and BV reported that the shop is taking advice on the possible expansion of the facilities.

June Collier enquired about painting the unsightly container, and raised the issue of the possibility of the planning officer commenting on it. MW enquired whether the planning office would object to the container on the grounds that planning permission was required but not obtained, and BV advised that permission was not required. June Collier stated that she was not aware of what the officer might say, but that she thought it was unsightly. BV reported that the container had not been a priority with other issues such as the ground source heat pump taking up all available finances, but that the Parish Council might wish to contribute financially to this.

June Collier reported that the missing toilet seats were an embarrassment during the pantomime, and BV reported that she had been in India and was unable to fix them. BV took the point that this should have been repaired, and undertook to furnish Mel with contact details of other Committee members in the event of her absence for issues like this. LAS advised that, had he been made aware of the issue, he could have attended to it.

The 2019 AGM is set for 21st February 2019.

The meeting closed at 19.45