

BLISLAND VILLAGE HALL

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Minutes of the Village Hall Committee Meeting held in the Manor Suite on Wednesday 26th February 2020 at 7p.m.

Present Ingrid Bibb, Ann Bogle, Rick Carey, Edith Carey, Len Croney, Mary Pope, Bill Pope, Martin Wilson, Ron Wilson and Sandra Matthews.

Apologies

All present.

Minutes of the meeting held on 7th January (Attached)

The minutes were agreed as a true record of the meeting held on 7th January.

Matters Arising

Gutter leak – It would appear that the gutter is still leaking.

Village Hall Week – Ingrid and the committee felt we had supported it very well although the ACRE (Action with Communities in Rural England) did not appear to have supported us to any great extent. It was a shame that no one from the village had taken the opportunity to take part in the taster sessions. Thanks went to Ingrid for all the work she had put into the event.

Treasurer's Report

Ron distributed the financial report (attached) and he went through the figures. We are down about £1700 already this year mainly because of the problem with the water. The cistern has yet to be repaired but is turned off at present. The good news is that as we have money in the bank so we should be able to weather this. Ron has been contacted by an electricity broker trying to get us to sign up with them, which we won't, and he will look around in September when our contract comes to an end. Mary suggested we contact the Parish Council to apply for a grant to help with the very large water bill. This was agreed and Ron will write to them and will also include the refurbishment of the window frames.

Carn to Cove

7th March 2020 Ticket sales on line 8 Shop sales 18 plus and committee members informed of others which are in the pipeline. The wine has been ordered, sale or return and 2 small kegs of beer plus bottles of Doombur will be purchased bearing in mind we have 16 bottles from a previous event. The arrangements for collecting and storing the “pub furniture” on Monday 2nd were discussed. Len and Rick will load up the trailer and then collect additional items from Ingrid and Ann in the morning. We’ll then meet at the village hall at 10.30am when these will be stored on the stage ready for Saturday. The format for the Saturday was agreed - Volunteers will meet at the hall at 10.00am on Saturday 7th to set the hall up as a pub.

Because of the England /Wales 6 nations rugby match on Saturday (kick off 4.45) it was agreed to make it known that late arrivals to the evening’s performance would be welcome. Len and Susan will provide the performers, who are arriving at 4.30, with a meal for around 5.30.

Promotional video / Facebook Page – The video is also on YouTube. Ingrid was thanked for all she has done with the facebook page etc.

Village Web Site –Len has spoken to David Croft regarding the Blisland info web site and what will happen once he has moved.

The American Folk Duo has been booked for October 3rd. They will cost the village hall something in the region of £300 so it is hoped to get a really good turn out.

Hall Maintenance

Window Frames – Having received quotes from 3 parties for the windows it was agreed that the job be offered to Alan Bibb whose quote was very competitive. Rick will write to all those who gave quotes.

Toilet lock – still to be repaired.

Toilet cistern downstairs– Still to be repaired.

Foyer paintwork – Rick and Len will paint the foyer on a date agreed with Sandra.

St. Pratt’s Day Celebrations – Feedback from meetings held on 10th January and earlier this week. They have yet to have a constitution and Len has suggested they set up as a charitable incorporated organisation. Len will give them a draft constitution and Andy Gould is going to work with Len on the constitution and risk assessments. It is hoped that this will be an annual event.

Ingrid suggested the village hall be used positively, rather than as a “spill over” - maybe putting on table tennis and similar activities.

A O B

Afternoon tea on 5th March. Invitations to the Blisland Ritz will go out. Edith will organise invitations, Len will do jam, cream from village shop and Mary, Ann and Edith will provide scones. A raffle can be held.

Date of Next Meeting

24th March at 7pm

The meeting closed at 8.10pm with thanks to all for their attendance.