

Village Hall Management Committee AGM 2015

Tuesday 19th May at 7pm in Village Hall

Minutes

Present: 7 committee members and 3 members of public

1. **Welcome and apologies (resignations).** John Payne was elected chair for the evening. Mike Underwood and Amanda Underwood had both resigned, papers and keys were awaiting handover.

2. **Report on the year and restoration (John Payne) –**

Flooding on September 19th. Insurance was some 60% under where it should have been, we were offered 40%. Grants and donations sought. Lawshall Trust £5000, R Kemp £1000 leading to a further £4000 from enhancements fund, which was claimed once work finished - to be paid by mid June. £4000 from S106 funds via PC paid to VHMC.

Guttering has been revised – 2 new 4” downpipes plus overflow pipes mean that flooding should not happen again.

Members of the committee cleared the floor and did all the decorating. Repairs included: Guttering, electrics, replastering store room ceiling, 2 new fire extinguishers that last 10 years and do not have to be inspected annually, boiler serviced – main oil pipe was almost blocked, main hall ceiling painted – the committee are disappointed with the result.

Water boiler needs servicing – Calor gas servicer needed.

The balance of £10439 remains to be paid to Glasswells, plus £600 to PP electrics for 2 dehumidifiers to be installed to reduce condensation.

Total repair bill £28,000 with more than £3000 saved by work done by the committee.

Many thanks go to John for the outstanding effort he put in applying for grants, dealing with their requests for information and criteria and for dealing with the insurance company / loss adjuster.

3. **Financial report and accounts (John Payne).**

Audited accounts were presented for 2014. We are likely to be on a firm financial footing for next 12 months. At year end we had £9076.13 in hand/bank.

Income in 2015 includes £300 profit from coach trip. £10,672 from insurance (£7000 for damage, >£4000 for loss of income).

Insurance for the hall has been taken out at the current value of the hall (£375,000)

Doing well before flood, bookings were up and have not yet picked up.

Youth Club will start on trial basis again in June

Tuesday Club now weekly and Bowls Club (Monday), Mums and toddlers (Tuesday am)

4. **Committee** – Nominations and elections: all willing to serve another year. Elected unopposed. No new people had come forwards to stand. No formal chair or secretary.

5. **Bookings** – (Sharon not present) there are bookings for 5 days over the next 3 months (11&12 June, 3 July, 8 Aug, 22 Aug. Regular bookings as above.
Suggest add notice on front door of hall as to how bookings can be made.
Chairs and tables for offsite use remain available for hire.

6. **Future events and plans:**
 - Get an article into Bury Free Press
 - All to pass word around that the hall is open
 - The Church are planning a Harvest Supper.
 - Consider a printed sign (estate agent type) or banner to say hall now open – Ian to explore
 - Signs for door and around village
 - Advertise we are open at school, pub, Maglio Rosso
 - Remind Theatre Royal that we are open and have a stage – for them to consider for travelling productions
 - Garage sale trail – Ian to discuss with Jamie Whatley
 - Car boot sale?

7. **AOB:**
 - Thanks: Wendy Harris voiced thanks to the whole committee for the effort and tenacity in getting the hall open again.
 - Lottery – is in profit
 - Thanks to volunteer grass cutter (Ian Copping)
 - Website – progress stalled.