

Carbrooke Village Hall Meeting 10th January 2017

Approved Minutes

Apologies for Absence: Pam Morgan and Mel Findon

Present: Ed Buscall, Debbie Harris, Angela Birkby, Claire Talbot and Karrie Richards

Minutes agreed from previous meeting

Matter arising from previous meeting:

- Claire Talbot offered to donate a toilet for Village Hall, and Karrie Richards to get plumber to see if suitable.
- Claire Talbot had expressed an interest in the filing cabinet and some tables and chairs that the Hall were going to try to sell. Karrie Richards has sought a valuation from the local salesroom, but they have said that the furniture is of minimal value. The committee suggested Claire Talbot offered a donation for them, and the Committee would consider this.
- Karrie Richards asked to source a new vacuum cleaner for the Hall.

Events and Bar:

- Angela Birkby reported that the Bar had done very well over the Christmas period. 26 people had attended on Christmas Eve and New year's eve saw 20 people attend. She also noted that a couple of local families and new faces came to the Hall which was good to see. The Committee thought that the new a-frame for advertising at the front of the Hall was helping to attract new people.
- Karrie Richards said we had three confirmed bookings for January.

Finance: Barclays Savings Account £10557.14 and Current Account £4187.82.

Money In: Bar £150.00, Pre-School £1440.00.

Money Out: Cleaner £202.50, Caretaker £73.44, Calor Gas £1295.40, Account £360.00, Eon £127.00, TV Licence £37.62 and AC Environmental £390.00.

- The cost of the Calor Gas was questioned and Karrie Richards was asked to see if we could bring down the cost
- Debbie Harris had been contacted by Rix Petroleum who run the Carbrooke Fuel Syndicate. It has said it would be donating some money to the Hall, which is greatly appreciated.

Signatories: Still ongoing

Update on grants and toilets:

- Agreement of the accounts at the AGM and their publication on the Charity Commission website now means grants can be applied for as this was an essential requirement.
- It was agreed to apply for funding from Breckland Council and the parish council before going to national village hall grant makers. It was agreed that we should try to get one of these bids in by the next meeting with the other shortly after.
- Karrie Richards was asked to find another builder to quote for work.

AOB: Angela Birkby asked whether those using the bar on Friday evenings could have a key to the Pre-School toilets, Karrie Richards to organise. And also if meetings could be another week night as some committee members can't make Tuesdays. It was agreed to switch to Mondays.

Debbie Harris is now going to run The Penny News online with hard copies being available at Wayland Partnership and Carbrooke Church. She also going to run the village website which will include the Village Hall as well as other village institutions like the Church and Millennium Green. The site will be called Carbrooke Online.

Date of next meeting: Monday 6th February 2017

Signed: *Ed Buscall*

Date: 6th March