

Carbrooke Village Hall Meeting 10th October 2017 Minutes

Apologies: Pam Morgan and Alan Willer

Present: Ed Buscall, Debbie Muller, Angela Birkby, Claire Talbot, James Lorne, Gabby Bone, Sue Dekeyzer and Karrie Richards.

Minutes agreed from previous meeting

Events and Bar:

- Angela Birkby had said that Alan Willer still having problems with one of the coolers as it needed a new compressor and was in the process of getting it fixed.
- Karrie Richards reported two more firm booking and other enquires.
- Angela Birkby had said that the Macmillan cancer coffee morning had gone well.
- James Lorne on behalf of 4 C's Café had passed on the takings for the café and an accounting sheet for the Hall records.
- Angela Birkby had said Bar doing well but Café doing even better.

Finance:

Barclays Savings Account £22500.14 and Current Account £301.71

Money In: Billy Brown £52.00, Bar £150.00, Dance Club £30.00 and 4'C Café £292.26

Money Out: Alan Willer (Bar Fund) £50.00, Alan Willer (Floor) £1432.63, EON £119.00, Skipper Electric £51.60, Cleaner £151.60, Caretaker £22.95.

Update on grants:

Ed Buscall reported that we had got through to the final round of Trusthouse Forte grant process and they required a draft copy of our accounts for 2016/17 and bank balances before making their decision on 02 November. As agreed by the committee, the accounts had been audited and a draft copy circulated to the Committee. The Committee agreed it was happy with the draft accounts and that they should be sent to Trusthouse Forte.

Ed Buscall had reported that as part of our grant from Norfolk Community Foundation the Hall needed a new Constitution as our current one is no longer relevant as the groups on it no longer use the Hall. Ed Buscall then talked the committee through an example he had and the Committee were happy with this. The new Constitution will be drawn up with our relevant information and hopefully it can be approved/adopted at the next meeting.

Debbie Muller to look into problems with Hall email.

Gabby Bone had asked if the Committee would help to pay for unlimited Wi-Fi as she was looking into having a BT line. The Hall has poor mobile coverage and they struggle to make phone calls without going outside. The cost would be around £35 per month to split between Pre-School and Hall. The Committee agreed they would contribute as it would be good to have Wi-Fi for other groups that use the Hall and it may help to encourage more users. Gabby Bone to look into installation costs first as an existing line may not be live.

AOB:

It was agreed that contracts for any paid members of the Hall are going to be looked into if they work over a certain amount of hours.

Angela Birkby asked if we could have two sanitary bins or up the collection days as very often the current bin is full. Karrie Richards said we had looked into this before but like everything it comes down to cost and who is going to pay for extra bins and collection. Committee decided that when refurbishment complete then we would get two bins.

The Parish Council had sent an email saying that from March 2018 they would no longer pay for the collection of waste from the Village Hall. Sue Dekeyzer the Council representative said she would look further into this for us but did say that at the Parish meeting they had a projection of costs and that next year if they kept spending at the same levels the Parish Council would run of money. It was felt the bin was used more by the wider village than the Hall itself and Gabby Bone from Carbrooke Playgroup said she was concerned that with no bin outside there was a danger of increased litter and the possibility of more fly tipping. It was suggested that the money from the recycling bins outside the hall could pay for the waste bin. It was decided that Ed Buscall would email the Parish clerk to voice the Committee's disappointment.

Pam Morgan had emailed to ask if she could run an Art group out of the Village Hall after it refurbished. Committee said yes that would be a great idea.

James Lorne said construction of the new play equipment was going well on green and he hoped that the grand opening would be on 3rd November but would keep us updated.

NEXT MEETING 14th NOVEMBER