

Carbrooke Village Hall Meeting 14th November 2017 Minutes

Apologies: Alan Willer

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

Minutes agreed from previous meeting

Events and Bar:

- Angela Birkby had said that Alan Willer had bar cooler fixed and they were in the process of training more people to run the Bar and had passed on takings.
- James Lorne on behalf of 4 C's Café had passed on the takings for the café.
- Karrie Richards had reported a few bookings but some now coming in for New Year.

Finance:

Barclays Savings Account £24,500.14 and Barclays Current Account £1177.00

Money In: Pre-School £810.00, Billy Brown £52.00, Private Donation £2000.00, Dance Club £60.00, Dance Club £45.00, Café £78.20 and various bookings £309.25

Money Out: Alan Willer (Bar Fund) £50.00, Cleaner £232.50, Scottish Power £137.73, Anglian Water £59.37 and Interest on OD account 6pence.

Update on grants:

Ed Buscall was pleased to announce that the Trusthouse Charitable Foundation bid for £11,600 had been successful and we now had reached our target of £48,000 to start our refurbishment project. We had also received a private donation of £2,000. He was meeting with a surveyor on Monday to draw up detailed plans for a builder to work from. As soon as we get those, we can approach builders to firm up on quotes and a timescale. Once dates are fixed, we would inform the groups that use the Hall so they could make alternate arrangements.

Constitution:

Ed Buscall had said we had drawn up a new constitution but would make sure it fitted the brief from Breckland District Council before we adopt it.

Pre-Schools Proposal:

Gabbi Bone and Emmerline Underwood had asked for a reduced rate for the next few months due to funding changes and the time of year with leavers starting school. They provided the Committee with evidence of their cashflow.

The Committee members wanted to understand how the funding worked, how much they get paid per child? And what the differences between 2 year olds and 3 year olds was? Gabbi Bone explained it was not always easy to work it out per child as dependant on a few factors, if their parents receive Tax Credit and how old the child is, also Pre-School were not being paid in a constant manner which makes it difficult to plan.

All committee members agreed in principle but asked that playgroup produce a re-payment scheme in writing to cover both parties and to set it a realistic rate they could afford to pay back. The Pre-School agreed to produce a re-payment scheme at their next meeting which would then be passed to the Committee.

Debbie Muller offered to set up a free webpage for the Pre-School to help advertise.

Cleaners Holiday:

The Committee discussed the fact that the cleaner would be away for five weeks. Karrie Richards had said that the cleaner had found a Lady willing to cover her but, as the committee didn't know her, this proposal was rejected. Gabbi Bone and Emmerline Underwood from Pre-School kindly offered to help over this period. The Committee are still looking into contracts for the cleaner. Karrie Richards was going to find out what her basic hours were.

AOB:

James Lorne asked about when the external sockets for the Christmas tree would be going in. Karrie Richards said that the Parish Council had enquired about it but she had heard nothing since and at the Parish Council meeting on 13th November they said the Church was the only place having a Christmas tree.