

Minutes of Meeting held at the Jubilee Hall on Monday 23rd March 2009

Present: John Sullivan, Phil Kershaw, Sandie Wells, Sarah Gleadell, Roger Barrett, Marjorie Fowler, Norman Good, Kate Langridge, Trish Baxter, Janet Smart, Daren Milton

1. **Apologies:** Sarah Love, Paula Bramley Ball
2. **Approval of Agenda:** Approved
3. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved and signed
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Phil Kershaw reported that lottery sales are well up on last year (121: 83) Kate Langridge and Sandie Wells were nominated and agreed to be certifiers of the quarterly lottery draws. Daren Milton was proposed and agreed to take over from Sarah Gleadell as 'Promoter' next year. Net proceeds of lottery will be £700. Phil Kershaw said that this had been a good year: we have £13,000 in the bank (of which £5,000 ring-fenced for future expenditure – Awards for All grant for ceiling fans, repayment of loan, lottery prize payouts). Hire income now covering day to day maintenance & bills (£5K approx). Computer classes have brought in extra income. Unanimous vote of thanks made to John Sullivan for his generosity and time in running these for benefit of hall at no charge. Parish Council grant of £500 probably not forthcoming this year, just rent for use of office. Janet Smart suggested re-investing surplus funds: suggestion welcomed and discussed but decided to defer for time being owing to uncertainty in market and v. low interest rates.
5. **Booking Secretary's report:** Sandie Wells circulated attached table of hiring hours. It was noted with satisfaction that regular hiring hours now exceed those of playgroup era. Extra bookings such as Aikido Barn Dance (v. successful evening resulting in £157 for hall funds) and computer classes have upped hours. Rehearsals for Stella Abbey's drama in the round (16/17 April) have also helped. £50 earned by hire of staging to Squirrel Pub. Roger Barrett reported that PCC is cancelling arrangement for family services in the hall owing to atmosphere not being quite right.
6. **Awards for All Application:** £1,200 approx granted. Rod Wells will organise installation of ceiling fans during the summer.
7. **Computer Training.** John Sullivan plans to run some more in the Autumn. Course so far very well attended to the extent that extra classes have been laid on. John Sullivan brought up subject of broadband: we still need this but no longer require the expensive package (£750 p.a.) we currently have, which expires in March 2010. John has applied to BT for a grant for free broadband, plus a computer, for a year. In any case we will go for a cheaper package in the future.
8. **Greek Night** Kate Langridge reported that virtually tickets now sold (around 60). Plans are going well and we expect a very successful evening.
9. **Hire of tablecloths.** Kate Langridge brought in samples of the new blue check tablecloths purchased for the hall at a cost of just under £70. After some discussion it was decided that we should not hire these out, owing to high risk of damage/loss: we will keep them for hall events. Kate offered to keep them in her house: all agreed this was a good plan.
10. **Kitchen refurbishment** Sarah Gleadell brought this up: the kitchen blind and door rattle and slam respectively and the kitchen does not really match up with the rest of the hall. New curtains would

make a big difference (these must be fireproof). To be discussed by Sarah G, Janet Smart, Marge Fowler and suggestions for improvement made in due course.

11. **Right of way** The owner of one of the houses next to the hall has asked if we are prepared to give up our right of way through their back yard. Unanimous decision was that the answer should be NO. John Sullivan will write to them to this effect.
12. **Hall garden.** Sarah Gleadell and Janet Smart will tidy this up after Easter and before the Greek Night on May 9th.
13. **Hallmark Review** Daren Milton, John Sullivan and Sarah Gleadell had an informal meeting before the committee meeting to discuss Hallmark in general and Hallmark 1 in particular, as we are coming up for expiry of this in the summer. They have gone through the requirements and between them will ensure that we are fully prepared for Hallmark 1. John Sullivan is now a Hallmark inspector so it will not be suitable for him to be one of the 4 or so people who meet the Inspectors.
14. **AGM update.** John Sullivan reported that is progressing well with the Annual Report, a draft of which will be sent to committee members well in advance of June's AGM, so that comments and alterations can be taken on board.

15. Lottery Draw

January		
51	£25	Trish Baxter
91	£10	Ken Banks
57	No. 122	Malcolm Beeston
February		
105	£25	Jan Sullivan
32	£10	Josie Gowers
15	No. 123	Mary Pye
March		
66	£25	Diana Kershaw
85	£10	Andrew Bullivant
57	No. 124	Malcolm Beeston

16. **A.O.B.** Kate Langridge brought up matter of keys: recently Aikido asked her for the key and she had no option but to give them the master. It was agreed that this was all right if hirer was a regular who we know well, but should if possible be avoided.

Sandie Wells reported that Sarah Love has received £500 in funding for youth activities, some of which will be held in the hall under supervision of the Police Community Support Officer. A meeting will be held in May with regard to a village ' Play Day'

Noticeboard. Not yet dealt with. John Sullivan to talk to Colin Langridge.

17. **Date of Next Meeting.** Next meeting at 6 p.m on Monday 27th April, in preparation for AGM on 1st June.