

Jubilee Hall Management Committee

Jubilee Hall, Church Street, Winsham, Somerset

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Minutes of ordinary meeting on 19 March 2007 at 6.45 pm in the Jubilees Hall

1. Attendance: JS, SG, R Barrett, R Beer, SW, PK, NG, JL, JG, Stella Abbey

2. Approval of Minutes of ordinary meeting, 4.1.07 Approved and signed

3. Matters Arising

Loo floor fixed, Furniture, curtains, etc. all arrived and installed.

Broadband installed and working.

Noticeboards. Some people have commented on lack of space for village notices. Charlie Hawker has made another case which should meet the problem. He will drill holes in existing one, which should solve condensation problem.

4. Co-option of Kate Langridge. Kate has volunteered to join the committee but was unable to attend this meeting. She has volunteered to be a key holder. Sandy Wells proposed, Roger Beer seconded. Phil Kershaw pointed out that she should be allocated a special responsibility, as does everyone else. To be discussed at next meeting.

5. Progress report - general enthusiasm all round for the newly refurbished hall. One or two very minor criticisms/complaints (see AOB)

6. Financial Report. Original estimate for refurbishment was £82,000 approx. When all monies are in (£4K still due from DEFRA, £17K from SSDC), we will be around £8,000 over budget. Hire charges will only cover our running costs so this money will have to be found. Future standing orders will help. JS commented, endorsed by all, that shortfall extremely small considering huge amount of extra work done. Committee agreed to keep this confidential until we have hard figures and know exactly where we stand.

PK stated that 117 lottery tickets have been sold (116 last year). Our profit will therefore be around £700 after all prizes paid.

7. New Hire schedule. As previously discussed, existing hirers will pay the same this year.

Jacqui George has researched other hall charges: ours are low, but different circumstances apply, for instance Winsham has the Sports & Social Club, which charges less. Sandy will have final say on rates to be charged this year. There will be surcharges for use of oven, if alcohol is to be served, for out-of-village users etc. JS pointed out, and it was agreed, that we should keep pace with annual inflation and increase rates gently, rather than keep them artificially low, then shock hirers with large increase.

8. New hirer leaflets. Sandy showed round very smart new leaflets and pointed out various changes. NB. A Temporary Events Notice takes AT LEAST 10 working days to process: we will recommend to hirers that they allow 3 weeks minimum.

9. Public access broadband. JS said that the Community Council for Somerset and SSDC are placing a great many restrictions on use during pilot scheme (which will probably last till May/June) John is contesting these and thinks it will be OK. It is being manned 4 mornings a week: we need more volunteers to oversee sessions. New projector and photocopier are huge assets (5p a copy).

10. Leigh House concert. Saturday 7 July. As before, bring your own picnic & drink. £10 a ticket. We need a theme. Marge suggested Ascot Races, which might work. To be further discussed.

JS proposed **New Year's Eve party, 31st December 2007.** Agreed to pursue this idea. Important not to upset festivities at The Bell. We would need a temporary events notice for a pay bar.

11. 'Take Art' This organisation brings professional art, drama and music to village halls. Basic cost has to be met by the hall (£200 minimum). Thereafter profit to be kept by the hall, except for a percentage of ticket sales. 'Take Art' programme for Autumn & Winter 2007 will be out in April. Stella will pick out a short list and bring it to next meeting. Important to chose performances that will suit Winsham villagers.

Stella also talking to Judy Preston about possibility of holding a **drama workshop** in the hall towards the end of this summer term. This would be for children and adults, who would be asked to pay a small fee to cover hall hire costs (£25 for day), probably around £2 a head.

Al Gore's renowned film **An Inconvenient Truth** to be shown with our new projector on Saturday 31st March. Stella will ask for donations to cover hire costs.

12. New noticeboard See 'matters arising'

13. Removal of Fence around garden. We discussed the pros and cons of removing this and decided that the latter outweigh the former: ergo, it stays.

14. Hallmark 3. We will go for this in due course.

15. New Lottery draw

| Amount | January | No. | February | No. | March | No. |
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| £25 | Anne Rose | 114 | Malcolm Beeston | 56 | Jean Spurdle | 38 |
| £10 | Jill Stone | 105 | Audrey Frecknall | 81 | Dori Beeston | 55 |
| £5 | Judith Robinson | 40 | Carl Earl | 25 | Carl Earl | 25 |

16. AOB. Stella brought up one or two complaints: 1. Why is the map now in the small room? Because we need a large expanse of plain wall for film showings 2. Why are the art club pix on the walls? Because they add a splash of colour. 3. Why are the dates by the high window not picked out in red as before? Because (a) we didn't have any red paint, and (b) they would look v. odd with new colour scheme.

Meeting closed at 8.10 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 7th May, 6.45 p.m.

DATE FOR AGM: Monday 21st May, 6.45 p.m.