

GREATFORD VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 3RD FEBRUARY 2022 – 7.30

Present: Margaret Anderson, Heather Hoopr, Nigel Ashby, Alison Horton, Lois Webb, James Everitt, Tony Barker

Gemma Taylor, Helen Britton

Apologies: Richard McDermott, Elisabeth Becket, Elizabeth Ashby

- **matters arising from minutes 14 10 21:**

- update on Sports Scheme weeks for primary school children from the village and surrounding area.

Gemma has worked hard to complete the lottery application for funding of 3 weeks and it has been sent in.

Stop Press: 4th February 2022 – the full funding has been granted ☺ Dates to be sorted .

- kitchen upgrade to sink area: commercial dishwasher, new washing up sink and new hand washing sink. No quotes received to date. A second plumber, who completed the toilet refurbishment has been approached

- Tidying of back room prior to re-decoration:

Nigel and David have removed some items. Removal of one set of lockers and current shelving plus purchase of new shelving to be addressed by Richard and Alison prior to re-decoration.

replacement of Parish Council cupboard to be addressed by Helen Britton.

- External brick wall repair

It was agreed by all present that this work should be completed by a builder, to cover any insurance issues as the wall is part of the VH.

(update 4/2/22: Brittons are happy with this. Alison has asked Pete Harrison to confirm availability (cost £350)

- Possible barn dance with Fish and Chips – no update from Elisabeth

- **decide** on colour for interior decoration

Candle Cream (Heritage) for main hall, Fresh Artichoke (Dulux) for kitchen and toilets

NB Hall will be closed weeks beginning 7th and 14th March

- **matters arising from minutes 07 12 21**

None

- **Finance report**

Report attached and available on request

The Treasurer gave details of income and expenditure since the last meeting, and a forecast of outgoings in the coming months. The Treasurer had secured a further government payment – the Omicron Leisure and Hospitality grant.

The current VH finances are healthy.

(There ensued a discussion pertaining to upgrading the outside area of the VH – see later)

- **update on George Egg - Live and Local performance 26 02 22 SOLD OUT!!**

Help needed on the day:

pm Harry to help set up the room

pre-performance: help the performer set up

7.30: help to check arrivals

8.00: Introduction, lights/heating etc

post-performance: at least 2 people to help performer pack up

Sunday morning: Harry plus volunteers to clean/tidy the hall

- **Key box update**

Key box needed replacing for a model that is police and therefore insurance approved

This has been purchased and will be installed on Sunday 6th Feb

NB the code will be changed monthly

- **Update on Plan A Covid requirements**

In line with the government advice the following changes to the hiring form were agreed:

Bring, use and take away your own tea towels for wiping dishes

Empty all bins before departure into the large bins outside

Replace fresh bin liners.

OPTIONAL (at the discretion of the hirer and attendees)

- Use of Face masks
- Hand sanitiser available as needed
- Consider appropriate ventilation
- Use of anti-bac wipes for switches and toilet handles and taps before and after use

- **oven service/purchase**

Concern had been raised about the state of the cooker.

It was agreed to purchase a new one, ensuring that we know exactly the capacity of the current fuse

Stop press: see attachment of possible alternative

- **Queen's platinum anniversary weekend (2/3/4/5June)**

Suggestions:

from VH

Big Jubilee lunch Sunday 5th June - Bring your own picnic and refreshment to the playing field

Platinum pudding (whatever it may be) competition in VH. Puddings brought to VH and shared by all

Teas and coffee served ? only if there is a team of folk to serve and wash up!!!

photo display of previous village jubilee celebrations

from PC

planter – cost to be investigated

mosaic to be completed by all villagers..... Gemma and Alison to investigate with Gemma's contact

Helen offered to arrange a meeting for all interested villagers (separate from PC and VH auspices) in the pub – possibly on 27th April.

- **Event on March 6th for all, organised by Elizabeth Ashby. (Thank you Elizabeth!)
Volunteers need to help with tea and coffee**

Rutland Roman Mosaics and Ruins: Sunday 6th March at 4 pm.

Jim Irvine is coming to the Village Hall to give a talk on his exciting chance uncovering of the site of a Roman villa and mosaics - which has been described as the greatest discovery of its kind in the last hundred years. Although not an archaeologist himself, Jim helped with the subsequent excavation of part of the site, and has an exciting story to tell. With lots of aerial pictures, photos and maps, this talk is for both adults and children. Entrance free, with tea and cake served in aid of charity. Please contact Elizabeth Ashby on 01778 560672 to book a place, as there may still be some restrictions on numbers. Rutland Roman Mosaics and Ruins: Sunday 6th March at 4 pm.

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- During the meeting a discussion took place about updating the entrance to the Hall, disabled access, and possibly the creation of a patio outside the French windows.
Many ideas were put forward, and Tony kindly offered to contact a surveyor who could give us some advice. The main points to be considered:
 - Improve the entrance to the main door, to remove the current steps/add railings for security and improve access to the ramp.
 - check whether the current wheelchair access via the chair store cupboards meets regulations.
 - build a patio outside the French doorsInformation to be gathered at this to be discussed at the next meeting.
- **The meeting closed at 9.30**
- **The next meeting is on Thursday 14th April at 7.30**

- *Further ideas from the PC*