

Husthwaite Village Hall Committee

Minutes of Committee Meeting held at VH on Monday 14th September at 7.00pm

Present: Stephen Barker, Carol Fenwick, John Ovenston, Philip Hewitson, Lynn Colton, Jeremy Walker, Victoria Black

Apologies: Gila Robinson, Debbie Lewis-Green

1. Minutes of the last meeting (Monday 10th August)

The minutes were accepted as a true record. Proposed : Carol Fenwick; Seconded John Ovenston

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

2.1 Advertisement board (2.9)- Board to be kept behind foyer door and to be placed outside when there are up and coming events **Action: Carol/Events Committee**

2.2 Bar checklist (9.1) - Drinks selection finalised and agreed to use measuring cups instead of optics. Jeremy and Lynn to establish a rota of bar supervisors and to co-ordinate structure of bar list and procedures. John to look into the possibility of a locked cupboard for beverages. **Action: Jeremy Walker/Lyn Colton and John Ovenston**

2.3 Diary Bookings (2.1)- Sheila Mowatt to take over bookings until December, with the view of a long term position.

3. NYCC Stronger Communities

Adele Wilson from Hambleton District Council came to the meeting and discussed their Vision for a stronger community. Due to their funds being cut back and demand for their support, they are aiming to provide a strong focus on public health as well as working with communities to create solutions for services and provide grants for small projects and groups that are run within the village. The four main aims are to provide services for young people and children, assist community run libraries where the council are no longer running them, support community transport and provide services for older people and vulnerable adults and carers. They work with the community by building on what already exists. She listened to the meeting and was pleased to hear the number of clubs and activities run within the village.

4. Financial Report

As of the 31st August, balances show total cash/debtors funds of £12,177.40 and total debtors funds of £180.00, still awaiting booking forms from Gardeners Club and Little Pippins. Total Payments were £1,089.72, with income boosted by a hall donation of £116.00. Total receipts less payments of £6,459 show a marginal improvement over the position at the end of June.

Lottery Funding officer has approved our End of Grant report. We are obliged to provide monitoring information at specified interval over the period to 20th December 2033.

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5. Business Plan

Kathryn Chapman at Rural Action Yorkshire will facilitate the workshops on the Business Plan and her input will be funded by the 'Village SOS project'. The workshops will include a review of management responsibilities within the Village Hall, reviewing customer base and the purpose of the Village Hall and discussing the balance between community, social and commercial bookings. The workshops are to be held on Tuesday 22nd September and Tuesday 6th October at 7.00pm.

6. Building (development and maintenance)

Air Circulation System - Two quotations received on basis of LEDA recommendation. Each have quoted for SWEGAN and Daikin Kit. HF Brown best quotes in both cases (£9,715+VAT and £6,835+VAT). Agreed give contract to HF Brown once finance available. HF Brown will then be asked to check on site which kit fits better in available space. **Action : John Ovenston**

Hand Wash Basin - Quotes awaited from Jim Bleasdale (Easingwold), James Walker (Zoe's Plumber) and Albany Gas and Plumbing (Philip Contact). **Action: John Ovenston**

Landscaping- Philip received a response from Jim Murray, a director of Orchards of Husthwaite suggesting , due to insufficient funds, that the front sides of the site should be planted as they stand and if we want to retain the banks we could use bricks or stone.. **Action: Philip Hewitson**

Window Openers- Contract let to Mike Levesley of Hull at £1,008 incl. VAT. To come on Wednesday 16th.

Committee Room TV- John to source USB TV freeview receiver for use with laptop and planned wireless projector. **Action: John Ovenston**

7. **Youth Club-** Running successfully.

8. **Parish Council Report-** Basic life support training to be held on 28th September for use of the defibrillator. Parish Council have written to Hambleton council about possibility of offering more bus routes.

9. Coming events

Wine tasting- to be re-arranged for the beginning of October.

Fixtures-

13th October- Husthwaite and District Gardening Club talk

30th October - The Gift of Stones (North Country Theatre)

23rd January 2016- proposal to hold Burns Supper (TBC)

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10. AOB

- 10.1 **AGM-** Rural Action AGM on Saturday 24th October 9:30am - 1:30pm at East Keswick Village Hall. Next quarterly meeting 9:30 - 12:00 at Husthwaite VH.
- 10.2 **Stock Taking-** Lynn/Jeremy to address bar stock left as year-end approaches. Stephen will deal with Notelets.
- 10.3 **Village Market-** raised a total profit of £620.
- 10.4 **Short Mat Bowls-** A request has been sent to have their own bank account and to be an independent club. Philip explained that the equipment was owned by the VH and will need to be transferred at net book value. His preference was for a one-off purchase. Carol suggested that an alternative might be through payment by instalments. John noted that the new club will be liable for insurance on all equipment. **Action: Philip Hewitson**

11. Next Meeting

12th October, 7pm