

Minutes of the Great Easton Village Hall Committee

Monday 16th May 2016 @ 7.30pm

Present

Tim Smith (Chair)
Alice Murdock
Sally Armstrong
Vikki Halliday
Margaret Stamp

Apologies

Kay Mitchell
Lorna Bryant

Minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed.

Matters Arising

Final 100 club funds still outstanding.

Action KM

The priority list for work to be done has been drawn up mainly in response to a Section 106 application sent to Harborough District Council in respect of planning permission being sought for 13 houses on land off Broadgate. It includes kitchen upgrade (minimum new cooker, fridge and microwave), refurbish main hall floor, new chairs, refurbish entrance lobby and change door, replace stage curtains, purchase collapsible staging and also a drop down screen and projector. Other items include new crockery and stage lighting. As part of the 106 application, letters of support for different aspects of the work have been obtained from other hall users.

Thanks to a grant from the Church of £1,215.00, the Swings have been refurbished by MPT Building Services. The mats have been cleaned and re-glued with new wooden borders and the large swing frame has been pressure washed and refinished. The remaining £500 will be kept for ROSPA check, and future maintenance - possibly new swing seats. Cable ties are to be used to deter birds perching on the frame and soiling the area.

Action AM

Green bin sticker is in place

Garden maintenance has been carried out with Margaret Stamp and Bob Mitchell assisting the experienced crew of Cath Lupton and Margaret Tyler. We will continue to liaise with them and help out as necessary - a trailer probably needed in the Autumn to remove some larger items.

George Robbins has replaced the meeting room window and electrician Josh Suffield has attended to a number of lighting issues, in particular ensuring that all our emergency lighting is up to date. In accordance with our insurance policy, all electrical circuitry has been checked - next check in 2021.

The Bingo Night in March was cancelled due to poor ticket sales. It was proposed that we should hold a Jumble Sale in September and Quiz and Chips in November - suitable dates to be decided

Action AM

Possible Julian Evans talk next February?

Further discussion was held re Village Store thank you.

Tim has completed Valuation Office form.

Finance

Vikki, the Treasurer, presented the 2016 account spreadsheet. Currently we have a healthy £7,676.98. In the light of this it was decided to proceed with the purchase of a dual fuel cooker. Initially, discussions to be held with a local plumber about gas installation and the need for a hood (or not!) before researching types of freestanding cookers

Action TS, AM & SA

AOB

Sally reported that a new First Aid Kit has been purchased

Meeting closed @ 8.45pm

Date of next meeting - Mon 18th July - time tbc