

**PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL
AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF PAUNTLEY VILLAGE HALL**

Minutes of a Meeting of Pauntley Parish Council as Sole Trustee of Pauntley Village Hall held on Tuesday 21 July 2015 at Pauntley Village Hall

Present: Councillor Nick Fowke (Chair), Councillors Anne Rawson, Jeanette Trevail, Linda Morris, Paul Chapman.

In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs L Harding

Four members of the public were present.

Members of the Real Ale Festival Committee gave a report on the 2015 festival and presented the village hall with a cheque for £1000. They have now donated over £10,000 to local causes. They were grateful to Sarah Hart for the use of her field for parking, and to the Guides for their help on the day. They asked for consideration to be given to new garden furniture and to a commemorative bench and plaque, which will be discussed at the next meeting. They were thanks for their donation. They have also ring-fenced £1,200 for a defibrillator for Pool Hill. The Clerk has received notification of grants of up to £500 from the District Council for defibrillators and there is a possibility also of a grant from the BHF. She will research these for the next meeting.

Jeanette Trevail reported that the amphitheatre at the school is now completed and is available for the community to use.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Philipps.

2. TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL OR PREJUDICIAL INTEREST IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There were no declarations of personal or prejudicial interest in items on the agenda.

3. TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18 APRIL 2015

The minutes of the meetings held on Monday 11 May and Tuesday 9 June 2015 were approved.

4. TO DEAL WITH ANY MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ABOVE MEETING

Item 5f - Mrs Woodward has now provided the fire retardant certificates for the curtains at the hall and her cheque has been issued.

5. FINANCE

- a) The Annual Return to the Charity Commission has been made.
- b) A financial report was received from the Treasurer. The current balance at the bank taking recent payments into account, is £3,035.32. Invoices from Greenfinch have yet to be received. estimated £650.00. Excluding the £1,000.00 donation from the Real Ale Festival this year (and the £200 reserved for a porch) there is a total of £625.96 available for refurbishment.

<p>c) It was resolved to make payment to the Treasurer of £20.95 for expenses.</p> <p>d) It was resolved to make payment to PRS for Music of £111.60 for the annual subscription.</p> <p>e) Notification was received of the payment to npower of £92.56 by direct debit for electricity for the period 24 April to 6 July.</p> <p>f) It was resolved to purchase a key safe for the village hall at £35.99 and possible locations will be investigated.</p> <p>g) The money remaining from the GRCC grant for skittles equipment, of £142.82, was discussed. It was agreed that a new backstop was not required and the Treasurer will contact GRCC to ask if the money can be put aside for a future event.</p> <p>h) The first draft of the budget for 2016-2017 was discussed. Rodney Gosling indicated that Maurice Elton would be willing to cut the grass next year and this will be agenda item for the next meeting. It was agreed that a schedule and approximated costs should be agreed to enable this to be budgeted for. Councillors were very grateful for this offer. The Treasurer will write to Greenfinch, asking for the final invoices and letting them know that we would be in contact if their services were required next year. It was also agreed that Newent Senior Section Guides should be asked if they could make a small donation for the use of the hall and the Treasurer will write to Frances Beavis.</p>		LH
<p>7. TO DISCUSS FUTURE EVENTS, INCLUDING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FILM EVENING ON SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER AND THE POSSIBILITY OF BONFIRE NIGHT AT THE HALL, AND TO CONSIDER A PROGRAMME OF FUTURE FILM EVENINGS AND TO DETERMINE FILMS AND ARRANGEMENTS</p>		LH
	<p>Jeanette has volunteered to collect the projector on Friday 16 October and Linda has volunteered to take over if she cannot make it. Tables and chairs will be set up in the morning, as the school have the hall Friday evening for a disco.</p>	NF/LH
	<p>A programme of films was discussed and agreed. The children's film for December will be decided nearer the date. Linda is to discuss possible bonfire evening with Paul and see if the land would be available from the new landholder. Chris plans another quiz some time in the New Year.</p>	JT/LM
<p>8. TO RECEIVE A REPORT ON THE PROPOSED INTERNAL PAINTING BY THE COMMUNITY PAYBACK TEAM</p>		
	<p>The estimated materials costs by the team was felt to be excessive and the proposed dates had therefore been postponed to allow further consideration of this. the Treasurer has made a grant application to Persimmon Homes and is waiting to hear. Rodney volunteered to clean the exterior of the building and councillors thanked him for the offer.</p>	LM/PC
<p>9. TO DISCUSS AND RESOLVE ON THE PURCHASE OF A MEMORIAL BENCH AND ADDITIONAL GARDEN FURNITURE, AS SUGGESTED BY THE REAL ALE FESTIVAL COMMITTEE</p>		
	<p>In view of the probable expense of decorating the hall interior, it was agreed that the purchase of a commemorative bench would need to be put on hold for the time being until available funds were clearer. A new garden table and chairs will be purchased.</p>	LH
<p>10. TO CONSIDER ITEMS ON THE MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE</p> <p>Health and Safety and Maintenance Checks are due shortly.</p>		

11. TO CONSIDER FUTURE BOOKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE HALL

Linda Morris volunteered to take the bookings over from Brenda when she finishes at the end of the year. The booking information will be placed on the website and in the hall, and details of how to pay by BACS included.

12. TO DISCUSS WAYS OF INVOLVING THE COMMUNITY IN THE VILLAGE HALL, INCLUDING THE POSSIBILITY OF SETTING UP A SEPARATE VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

This was again discussed and Rodney Gosling had suggested that the best way forward may be to have an informal group of friends to help, rather than another committee. This was agreed and efforts would continue to find people willing to help.

13. TO AGREE THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF PAUNTLEY PARISH COUNCIL AS SOLE TRUSTEE OF PAUNTLEY VILLAGE HALL

The next meeting will be held on Monday 16 November at 7.00 p.m.

14. TO CONSIDER ANY OTHER URGENT RELEVANT BUSINESS

There was no other urgent business.

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