

**HOLTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MONDAY 6TH NOVEMBER 2023 AT 7.30PM**

MINUTES

Chair: Jane Patricia Farrow

Attendees: Mel Ault, Sonja Barter, Clive Garczarski, Dave Holmes, Sue Holmes, Andy Murray, Stella Oakes, Helen Webb, Clare Wright

Apologies for absence: Dominique Smith

1. Approval of Minutes for Meeting 2nd October 2023

Proposed by **DH**, seconded by **MA** and signed by **JPF**

2. Matters arising (not covered elsewhere)

None

3. Financial Matters

A current financial situation was circulated prior to the meeting indicating a healthy state in spite of recent large bills.

Signed by **MA**

4. Events:

a) Afternoon Teas – DH and SH reported that these continue to be successful and enjoyable with costs covered by donations.

b) Family Games Night and Bar Friday 6th October 2023 – this was well supported and families reported that they had enjoyed themselves.

A profit was made on the Bar.

The committee felt that this could be an annual event.

c) Trivia Quiz Friday 3rd November 2023

This event was well attended and enjoyable with excellent questions from **DH** and **SH**.

Ticket sales and Bar profit produced over £400 for the defibrillator.

Future Events:

a) Living Advent Calendar December 2023

CW reported that 19 windows were already booked.

The event will be advertised on the website, the village magazine and Nextdoor. **HW** will do a leaflet drop. **CW** will publish a map and ensure that the early windows are known.

Bar open Friday December 8th with WI reveal window

Carols for Sunday December 17th – **Earlier time of 4pm for window reveal** to allow for families to be present.

HW has confirmed that the musicians will be present. £100 suggested for their charity.

Villagers to meet at 4pm at the window reveal followed by processing around the village and stopping to sing (weather permitting) ending at the Village Hall with more music.

HW and **SB** to organise food and drinks at the Hall.

b) Film Night – The next one is January 26th 2024 showing, 'Dream Horse'.

c) Folklore Evening – **MA** in discussion with his daughter. Possibility of Morris Dancing . Possibly to take place in February – tbc.

d) HW suggested Jack Turner as a speaker on a Bar Night.

Events for 2024 to be more fully discussed at the January meeting.

5. Bookings Update : **DH** and **SH** reported that October had been a good month.

6. Property Matters:

- The water in the Bar is still turned off to prevent further leaking under the Hall floor. Dampness is to be tested. **MA** and **SB** to contact flooring companies to ascertain what floorings are currently available. Once the information is known, the committee can discuss possibilities for a new floor with probably some new radiators. **SB** could investigate a grant for this purpose.
- After **MA** and **DH** had spent time on the Broadband, they can now confirm that 400mgb are now in place, paid for by OCC for three years.
- Some guttering work has been completed.
- PAT testing has been booked.
- **SB** has applied for free installation of a defibrillator.
- Painting in all the toilets is now complete.
- **SB** will place a notice on the car which uses the Hall car park for private use.

7. Rota for bins/Hall check

November – **DH** and **SH**

December – **HW**

January – **CW**

February – **MA**

March – **SB**

8. AOB

None

9. Date of next meeting: Monday 4th December 2023 at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 9pm.