

## **Minutes of the Shalfleet Village Hall Committee Meeting 11.Feb.2019 at 10.15am**

### **Present:**

Brian Mead (Chair), Michael Beavis, Chloe Sutherland & Michele Smith (majority of meeting)

**Not Present:** Hilary Waitt & Ian Broad

**Minutes of the Meeting of 11.Jan.2019** had been circulated and were approved.

### **Matters Arising:**

None

### **Booking Secretary's report:**

Michele reported that there had been 2 wedding cancellations both for August this year. In both cases there were extenuating circumstances so full refunds (of £200 & £100) were given and there is the expectation of being able to rebook the vacant weekends.

There has been some confusion from new hirers over charging for tables and chairs on both the booking forms and the website. Michele has redone the booking form to just reflect the Hall hire charges which will avoid any confusion. Michael will amend the layout and will ask Mike Osborne to split the Equipment rates onto a separate page to the Hall rates.

There was discussion over the request for the Diocesan Chapter Meeting on Tuesday 9th July and their expectation for it to be foc. In previous years the request had come from Sally Rivlin and payment had been forthcoming from Portsmouth Diocese. Michele will liaise with Sally and send a booking form. We were reminded that the Hall's renovations were dependent on the Hall becoming the "Village Hall" not the "Church Hall". By tradition use of the Hall by Shalfleet Church and the PCC continues to be foc, but use by other bodies, C of E or secular, is chargeable.

The request to use the Hall foc for a lunch after the church service on Sunday 7th April was approved.

### **Treasurer's report:**

Michael distributed reports showing year to date income of £641.00 and expenditure of £775.40 (having just paid £619.74 for the annual insurance an increase of 2.8%). PRS have finally realised they have not yet collected their fee (£129.68) from last year and plan to rectify that later this month. We have still not received an invoice from Village News for last year. We are shortly expecting a bill (£507) from Calor Gas for the refill that took place on Saturday 9th., and a bill for the Annexe light (£480). The current bank balance is £7232.17.

### **Maintenance:**

The new light in the Annexe is finished and works very well. Calor have refilled the tank with 1464 litres of gas.

### **Car Park:**

Michael reported his investigations into extending the car park.

Chris Barlow, as recommended by Peter Carter, was approached to do the works as he is reasonably priced, would do a competent job and is a local.

I met with Chris a couple of weeks ago and discussed our wishes.

He would dig out the area needed, lay a membrane, fill with rubble of around 9 inches, top with road tarmac scrapings and compact it all down, it would look and be just like we have in place at the moment. He has quoted a price of £17.50 per square metre. We discussed three options ranging from an extra 80sqm (extra 4 cars), to 120sqm (extra 6 cars) to 130sqm (extra 9 cars).

He advised that my proposed width extension of 3.0m would not be sufficient to achieve our aim of allowing cars to park end on to the field rather than side on. He suggested an alternative (option c) that we extend the car park in a straight line from the corner of the outside toilet to the far hedge. This would result in a triangular shaped addition which would maximise number of extra cars (9) able to be parked as there would be sufficient space to park end on.

There was general agreement but not universal to go ahead with option c.

Sketch plan is attached. Measuring the area is approximate due to its shape

but this option would cost around £2275. Brian decided it best to circulate this proposal to all as not everyone was in attendance.

### **Environment:**

Brian offered to approach Hamish (Mallard House) to seek his approval for us to cut the side and top of our joint hedge each autumn. Chloe would approach Jamie to prepare the ground for the "wildflower garden" between the Hall & Annexe.

### **Any Other Business:**

None

### **Date of Next Meeting:**

Date agreed was Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 10.00 am.

The meeting closed at 11.20 am.