Shalfleet Village Hall Sub Committee Minutes

Date: Thursday 20th August 2025

Members present: Michael Beavis, Sue Sleight and Debbie Lutas

Apologies: Hilary Waitt

DL welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Hilary will be returning from her holiday to host lunch club on 10th September, she has sent a provisional menu to MB who is waiting for HW to confirm that what he has done is correct before printing and distributing copies around the village.

Sue has spoken to Geoff about the Christmas quiz evening on 6th December, she is still waiting for him to confirm availability.

Shalfleet Fun Day – MB is still waiting to hear from Chelsea to confirm details of the day planned and what else is required. So far he knows that the dog show and ice cream van are confirmed. The parish councillors are running the teas, Maureen is making cakes, Charlotte the Curate is doing face painting, Jackie the Vicar is doing hand massage and Chelsea's family are organised to do many roles. MB has collected the giant jenga kindly loaned by HW. MB will be manning the gate. MB has organised and erected the banners to advertise the event. Chelsea's husband will be organising the BBQ, Henry will be doing a book stall and Nick is organising a team to let people visit the tower.

Chelsea has organised a children's entertainer for the day at a cost of £265.00 which along with the roadside banners at a cost of £298.80 has been paid for by the hall account.

The Church has now agreed to fund Charlotte in a full time position, MB asked if we knew of premises in the local area where Charlotte could be based and use as office space. The old offices of the parish council clerk are believed to be empty at the Newbridge social club. MB to suggest this to Charlotte to investigate.

Tuesday teas have remained very successful, they had a mini break for August and will resume in September. SS said they have decided to increase the price slightly to reflect true costs but have not decided on an amount. The October session will be to raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support.

We spent some time looking at the income and expenditure sheet, largest expenses so far this year include £1494 for replacement lights in the hall, £539 for a mower, £605 for the boundary wall to be repaired, and £416 to replace the tablecloths. Income to date £8287.72 and expenditure £8067.19.

MB gave us some dates that he will be away including 28-30 August, 25 Sept- 4th Oct and 15-29 November.

Catherine's bench is under the guidance of Rhod, tree surgeons have to be involved to ensure it is safe for people to sit under the tree, this has been approved by the PCC.

A local carpenter, Ollie Bennett has been approached to make a bespoke bench to remember our Churchwardens. He is not available to undertake the work until the autumn.

MB was contacted by The IW Observer - Wight Weddings Magazine, to ask if we would like to advertise our facilities with them in a one stop bridal magazine. They will also be producing a magazine for End of Life. After some discussion we decided it might be more appropriate at this time to pursue the end of life option and offer to host wakes at the hall and potentially offer catering too. MB to investigate costs and further information - to be discussed at the next meeting.

Craft fayre – Saturday 8th Nov, MB has had the A boards updated for advertising and will put them out at the family funday. We have had two enquiries from previous participants in the craft fayre asking to have a table again this year. MB to email all previous participants asking if they would like to join us again before we decide whether to advertise or not. Food and drink will be offered again, similar to last year, cheese scones, soup and traybakes.

Music quiz night in October, MB to organise advertising in village magazine and posters for the village.

Date for the next meeting Thursday 18th September @10:30

Meeting closed at 12:15

Minutes approved by Michael Beavis, Sue Sleight and Debbie Lutas 28th August 2025