

Shalfleet Village Hall Sub Committee Minutes

Date Thursday 11th June 2026

Present : Michael Beavis, Derek Manners & Debbie Lutas

Apologies : Hilary Waitt

Derek was welcomed to his first committee meeting.

Hilary has suggested that in the future we update the kitchen to have a larger fridge and a smaller freezer. This was discussed and the physical space looked at in the kitchen to see if there was room for a second small fridge until such a time as the current ones need replacing. The only way to do this would be to lose access to the serving hatch and stack the two fridges one on top of the other. The decision was made to defer until HW returns to discuss further.

HW also suggested replacing the stacking chairs with wooden chairs that fold rather than stack. This was felt to be unsuitable at this time as chairs that fold would need a cage of some sort to contain them and stop them falling over. The comfort of wooden chairs was also questioned. The decision to defer until HW returns was made.

Stay and Play, it has been agreed with MB that Angel can advertise the group to run from 10:30-12:30 and that they can have an extra hour until 1:30 to tidy up. If more time is required for a special reason Angel must inform Debbie to book this on the calendar. Angel is now being supported to run the group by her friend Poppy. Together they have produced new posters to advertise Stay & Play with the appropriate times stated.

We looked together at the hall accounts which are positive showing income thus far as £6243.76 and expenditure to date £3569.45. This includes buying a replacement microwave, mugs and tablecloths which are now in the hall ready for use.

MB updated Derek on the air source heat pump and solar panel investigations. To date we have had 2 quotes for ASHP which differ considerably in both cost and specifications and 2 quotes for solar panels. We have decided to have an independent heat loss survey carried out which will considerably help inform our decision making. MB to chase up a date for this to happen.

The hall floor is booked to be renovated from Wednesday 22nd July – Sunday 2nd August during this time no access to the hall will be allowed. Derek, Debbie and Dave to clear the hall of all furniture, curtains etc on Tuesday 21st @ 2pm. Date to replace everything to be confirmed depending on the work completion.

Hall cleaners – have they been informed of the hall closure? Cleaning to be reviewed.

Replacement glasses required for the hall, HW suggested Ikea Pokal style, MB to order 72 x 35cl.

Celtic Encounters who provide a religious service usually set outside, have requested to hire the hall switching from Porchfield hall from November. They have members who are also part of the WI, best day and time is the first Wednesday of the month. Only conflict with this is a lunch club booked in January. MB to ask HW to swap that date and then to confirm with Celtic Encounters. This will be a free hire as it is a religious group.

Fire risk assessment – Wight Fire have suggested that we need an independent survey to assess our fire risk at the hall and have suggested Churches Fire & Security. They have sent a quote for £455:00 plus VAT. Derek has offered to contact the Fire Brigade to see if they offer a similar service or who they would recommend.

Craft Fayre – DL has been in touch with Northwood House and their fayre is in December, Dimbola have yet to confirm their date. It is proposed that we choose 14th November. DL to contact Dimbola again.

Alicia Allan from Foster Care Awareness emailed the hall on behalf of Five Rivers Child Care, to ask if we would promote them via posters or offer them to attend functions at the hall. Nobody on the committee was aware of this group and a decision was made for us to investigate further.

Kirsty from Film Expo South emailed to ask if we would be interested in hosting screening of children's films during the summer holidays. This was discussed and declined as it is necessary to own your own projection equipment.

Date of next meeting Thursday 9th July @ 10:00

Meeting closed at 12:20

Minutes approved by MB, DM & DL on 11th June 2026