**Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Minutes**

**Monday 01 August 2022 7:00 PM**

**Present:**

Andy N, Kim, Tim, Caroline, Chris, Andy S, David, Martin, Laura

Minutes of Committee Meeting Monday 11 July 2022 – Approved.

**GOVERNANCE**

Hallmark Accreditation

Levels 2 & 3 – assessment date 31st August – due to committee members’ holidays, we will request to delay the assessment until the end of September.

**FINANCE**

Treasurers Report

Closing balance for end of July - £51,767.71

Building costs paid in July - £19.5K.

Grant Applications/Receipts

Caroline is applying for a grant from Bernard Sunley Foundation – Caroline sent them a detailed breakdown of the budget showing what building works have been completed and what work is still outstanding, as requested.

**BOOKINGS**

Bookings Secretary Report – see attached

Due to the increase in gas and electricity proice, the Committee agreed to increase the booking fees:

* regular bookings will increase from £10 an hour to £12.50
* one off bookings will increase from £12 an hour to £15
* equipment hire prices will remain the same

Andy S will look at effect of increasing booking fees.

Andy N will contact CCS to find out national view.

We discussed the possibility of solar panels to reduce fuel costs/create an income from unused energy.

The Committee will think of new ideas for hall usage to increase the number of bookings/income.

**REJUVENATION**

Phase 1 - Cafe/Kitchen

Good progress has been made.

* all walls have been plastered and painted
* ceiling lights are in
* some of the new fire doors have been fitted
* the fire alarm system is in – new instructions and policy to be written up

Next phase will be widening the path leading up to the Hall and concreting the seating area outside.

Phase 2 – extension with changing rooms – on hold

**MARKETING**

Beacon Magazine – will include photos showing rejuvenation progress in Hall and a mention of the Ukrainian song written and sung by children from Oakhill School and televised by the BBC – shown on Points West. Also, a feature on the Bowls group to advertise and increase interest/membership.

**FUNDRAISING**

**Oakhill Festival** – generated a £3.5K profit to be divided equally between the Hall, Oakhill School and the Church.

**Xmas Market –** 3rd December

**Oakhill’s Got Talent** – tbc – next Spring/Opening Ceremony?

**Black Tie Event** – possibly May 2023.

**FACILITIES / MAINTENANCE**

**Playground**

Waiting for feedback on June inspection. Will have to decide between continuous patching up or replacing of equipment.

Repairs in hand – swing repaired, new gates, springs replaced, seesaw repaired but now cracked! Ongoing.

**Parking line painting**

Tim has sprayed the grass/weeds.

We need to get a date for when the line painting will take place and then we can prepare the surface as it’s been a while since swept.

The outside of the Hall will need to be painted at some stage. Dawn Reader has offered to paint a mural on the outer kitchen side of the building, involving local children.

**ENVIRONMENTAL ACTIVITIES**

The trees planted round the Rec need the grass removing from the bases – Autumn task.

One tree has turned brown so Martin will water to revive.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Parish Council will pay for replacement of picnic tables – they are looking at alternatives.

NEXT VHC MEETING – Monday 5th September 2022 7pm



**Ashwick & Oakhill Village Hall Bookings Review**

**Regular Bookings Update**

* Tai Chi (Jo Webb) – Weekly (Mon pm)
* Yoga (Min Roberston) – 2 classes per week (Tue am & Thur evening) *[NO CLASSES IN AUG]*
* Ukrainian Support Drop In – Weekly (Tue 1030-1200)
* Indoor Bowls (Chris Sully) – Weekly (Tue 1400-1600)
* Parish Council – Monthly (usually Weds evening)
* Pilates (Kelly Lewis) – Weekly (Thur evening) *[NO CLASSES IN AUG]*
* Pawsitive Life Puppy Class (Ieuan Hudson) – Weekly (Tue evening – started 5th July)
* East Mendip Gardening Club – Monthly (Tue evening)
* Oakhill & Ashwick Local History Group – Monthly (Wed evening)

**Football**

* Strong interest from Wells FC Colts (U14) in long term pitch hire.
	+ 10-15 matches per season (Sat pm) + Thursday evening daylight training.
	+ £25/match + £10/training session = £550-£675/year (guess).
	+ Next step – Awaiting Wells FC reps to arrange visit to our facilities.

**One-Off Bookings (some way off…)**

* **October 2023 - South West Folk, Song and Dance Group**
* This section of the Camping and Caravanning Club (folk dancing, poetry, singing) have booked the hall facilities for 4 evenings (630pm to 10pm) from **Thursday 5th – Sunday 8th October 2023.** Contact is Bernadette Thorne.
* The group will stay at Oakhill Camping & Caravanning (Mandy Alvis).

**Future One-Off Bookings (August to October)**



* NO BOOKINGS YET!
* Oakhill Surgery Patient Group (Francesca Palmer) – Wed 14th Sep
* *Birthday party (Becky Hobbs) – Sat 17th Sep* ***TBC***
* Wells and Mendip Astronomers (Hugh Allen) – Sat 17th Sep
* Canine Physio (Liz Tyrell-Asprey) – Sun 18h Sep
* Canine Rehab (Liz Tyrell-Asprey) – Sat 24th Sep
* Birthday party (Sarah Lambourne-Wills) – Sun 25th Sep



* NO BOOKINGS YET!