

Horton Village Hall Management Committee Meeting

Wednesday 28th September 2017

1. Present: Stuart, Kharon, Anne, Jill, Joyce, Bill, Mervyn, Glyn, Ian, Ken, Jackie
2. Apologies: Ann, Nicola, Nina, Jan
3. Minutes of the last meeting: The minutes were signed by Ken White, as a true representation of the meeting.
4. Matters Arising – covered in sections below.
5. Correspondence
 - Donation from Village Fete of £50
 - Agenda for the AGM for CSS, no interest expressed to attend
6. Chair's Report – See separate sheet
7. Treasurer's Report – see separate sheet. Figures are March - September
8. Management Team – Nothing to report
9. Buildings and Grounds
 - 4 quotes have been obtained for the replacement of the external doors in the hall. Following a meeting with the builder Robin Sibley his suggestion was to employ a carpenter to effect repairs to prolong the life of the doors. Mervyn suggested, installing a canopy over the patio which would protect the doors from the elements, concerns were raised over this making the hall 'gloomy'. Are all doors in need of replacing? 2 emergency fire doors are warped and the 2 centre double doors the locks are not aligned and cannot be opened. The quotes were 2 @ £14k inc VAT and 2 @ £18k inc VAT for the 6 sets of doors (2 fire exits and 3 double doors in the hall and the main front door). Glyn suggested that the 4 double doors along the patio in the hall only were replaced from a manufacturer/fitter so that one company were responsible overall. Calculating from the quotes it was estimated that this would be approx. £10k. This was seconded by Jill and all present were in agreement. Ian confirmed that there was sufficient funds in the bank account but proposed reducing the re-investment in the Skipton Building Society (which is now due) from £35k to £30k to make more funds readily available as required, this was seconded by Glyn and all present were in agreement. Glyn suggested that very early in 2018 the hall would be quiet to allow the install which would be expected to take a couple days. Bill proposed that should a deposit be required to secure the booking this be pre-approved now, this was seconded by Ian and all present were in agreement.
10. Booking Secretary – Bookings remain strong and we saw a record amount for August of £3k. Wedding season is now over but we do have a wedding booked for 16th December and 4 booked already for 2018 and 3 for 2019. Kids party bookings remain strong and it is nice to see local people using the hall. The hall could survive on just regular bookings although Slimming World has not rebooked. The 2018 diary and online calendar are not open. Thanks to Nicola and Alan Dawe for manning the diary, it is very much appreciated. The mobile has been replaced and the internet domain renewed for 3 years.
 - Rate Increase – See separate sheets. The rates have remained the same since the hall opened. Glyn explained the suggested rates. Jackie 'googled' Barrington Village Hall to compare prices and this increase brings us closer in line with their prices, although they operate a 'local' and 'non-local' pricing structure. Glyn proposed implementing the new