

Gringley on the Hill Community Centre Management Committee

Meeting 10 February 2016

Present
Approved

Ann-Marie Morley (Chairman) AMM
Simon Parker (Treasurer) SP
John Taylor JT
David Foreman DF
Paul Hargrave PH
Annie Hargrave AH
Simon McGuinness SMcG
Ian Soulsby IS
Wendy Wright WW
Roy Kilner RK

Apologies Received: Peter Young PY

Previous Minutes: Draft minutes from the previous meeting held on 13 January 2016 were approved after consultation.

The meeting began with an open forum as previously advertised. The forum was attended by four members of the village.

Arthur and Kathleen Staves, on behalf of the Tuesday Afternoon Group, asked if it would be possible for the committee to consider the purchase of an indoor bowls matt for use by the Tuesday afternoon group, they have had requests from some of the Tuesday members. They would not wish the bowls equipment to be exclusively for use by the Tuesday group but hope others would make use of it as the mat could also be used for "street bowls". Having researched e-bay and other sites they think a mat could be purchased for around £575.00 and a mat winder/carrier could be purchased for around £650.00

The committee felt that this may well be a good investment and that someone may be interested in setting up a bowls club at some point. The issue of financing the equipment was discussed and it was felt that a decision on the purchase should be made only when the committee had sufficient funds in place.

Barbra Dunkerley, on behalf of the WI, asked if the heating in the main hall could be regulated as several people who use the hall regularly feel that it is somewhat cool and they have to sit in coats to keep warm.

The thermometer in the main hall was reading 19 deg. however, John Taylor pointed out that the heating system in use is a balanced system and the thermostat is situated

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in the foyer, adjusting this to make the hall warmer would make other areas of the community centre uncomfortably warm. The use of secondary heating for the main hall was discussed and the committee agreed to look at this as a possible solution.

Catherin Sharp asked if a luncheon Club could be set up of the benefit of older members of the community.

The committee thought this a good idea, however pointed out that they would not organise this, it would be up to a member of the village/community to arrange, Catherine agreed to canvas support through local media; Hugo's round robin and the Beacon being obvious examples.

The agenda business was then continued.

Matters arising: N3 is now fully operational, it was felt that a policy for the use of broad band within the community centre should be formulated with password protection, parental controls and any other security that may be required.

Action: S McG

Correspondence: The reply from the Clerk to the Parish Council regarding the grass cutting was read and discussed. The committee accept the Parish Councils decision that they are unable to enter into an informal arrangement of cutting the grass in return for the use of the CC meeting room to hold the Council meetings. The Treasurer/booking officer will contact the PC to arrange meeting room hire rates commencing April 2016.

The e-mail reply from Mr Chris Elliott was noted.

The renewal for the NAVACH annual membership has arrived, the committee resolved not to renew the membership.

A three piece folk troupe, Whalebone, have approached the CC to see if it is possible for them to arrange a performance during the coming season, door receipts to be split between the group and the CC.

Action: PH

Mr Robert Dunkerley has also offered a show with his ensemble, Paul will contact him for more detail.

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New Constitution: The draft constitution was put to the committee for inspection, several members queried some of the terminology used as confusing, it was also felt that past, present or future trustees' names should not appear in the document. It was agreed that the draft should be returned to the solicitor for amendment and clarification. It was agreed that when the document is returned from the solicitor it will be signed by all the members of the committee and adopted as the Gringley on the Hill Community Centre CIO Constitution. As pursuant to Charity Commission guidelines.

Finance: As 31 January 2016 the funds stood at £14,431.62. No funds forthcoming from holding trustees. It was also pointed out that to date an electricity bill has still not been received for the CC; efforts are ongoing to locate the supplier. We have accrued funds for a future bill/invoice for the electricity used to date. A reserve funds policy will be drawn up by the committee, with the assistance of outside experts, to safeguard monies accrued.

Risk Assessment: No Incidents have been recorded since the last meeting.

Security: No further news.

Purchases: None.

Alternative funding streams: No further action

Marketing & Publicity: Website link is Gringley communitycentre.org.uk and is registered on Google and Bing. Action S McG

Live and Local: 50 people attended the performance of "We are Bronte" a good time was had by all and the pie and peas suppers (along with desserts supplied by volunteers) was very well received, our thanks to Ann-Marie and her team of "CC elves".

Maintenance: Floor in Main Hall, should be inspected by the installer every 12 to 18 months, this will be attended to shortly, the committee will look into the cost of an electric floor buffer/polisher to purchase or hire. Action: JT, DF

The repairs to the front door damaged in the recent high winds will cost in the region of £330.00 + VAT

A.O.B.: Lighthouse Security are to be contacted as the fire alarm and security service is due. Action I S

John Taylor is to pass his documents, compiled over several years, from his time as a holding trustee for the management committee.

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It was suggested that a cost for the re-routing of the ducts above the stage should be sought so that curtains, lighting etc. can be better utilised when the committee is able to afford them.

Wendy, on behalf of a friend has offered the CC and Village as a whole an electric keyboard, it was agreed we should take up this very kind offer.

Next Meeting: 7 March 2016 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed 9.55pm

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