

Whimble Victory Hall

Minutes of the meeting of the Trustees held on 8th October 2012.

Present

Maria Wallis	(MW)	Chair (Whimble School)
John Discombe	(JD)	Vice Chair
Pam Scanlan	(PLS)	Secretary
David Myers	(DM)	Treasurer
Alison Tierney	(AT)	Bookings Secretary
Rachel Owen	(RO)	WI
Sam Walker	(SW)	Preschool
Mick Street	(MS)	VPA
Arthur Iball	(AI)	Over 60's
Bob Scanlan	(RJS)	Elected member

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from George Begent (GB) Jackie Mahoney (JM) and David Rastall. (DR)

2. Minutes of previous meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 26th July were agreed as correct and signed by the Chair. This was proposed by JD and seconded by RJS.

3 Matters arising:

3.1 The Soup 'n' Sarnies on the 28th July and 29th September raised £100 and £104 respectively. We need to look at the viability of continuing S 'n S and perhaps spread our publicity. DM offered to arrange transport for Willow View customers.

3.2 Soup 'n sarnie on 27th October will be run by Delia and David, and on 24th November by AT and MW.

3.3 The painting work in the kitchen, billiard room and committee room is finished and has been paid for.

3.4 MW is still waiting to hear from Peter Cosslett about the extra shelf for the preschool and the shelving in the shed. **Action MW/GB**

3.5 The over 60's would also like a false floor in their cupboard and are happy to carry out the work themselves. **Action AI**

3.6 We did not enter a scarecrow for the VPA competition as no additional help was forthcoming.

3.7 The caretaker has assured MW that she always checks that the doors and windows are closed and locked as appropriate, and that the lights are always switched off.

4. Correspondence:

- Details of a training course about funding were discussed. It was not felt appropriate for anyone to attend.
- Sam Palmer has requested a reduction in the hire charge for a fund raising ceilidh in November. The committee are unable to grant this request, but several members said they would attend the function to lend Sam their support.

5. Treasurer's report:

5.1 The current financial position is as follows:

Current Account balance as at	08/10/12	£ 785.70
Deposit account balance as at	08/10/12	£24,628.60
Building & Maintenance Account balance as at	08/10/12	£ 1,642.04
Building Sinking Fund	08/10/12	£15,000.00
Total of all sales up to	30/09/12	£ 1,312.86
Payments outstanding for issued invoices up to	30/09/12	£ 910.77
Uncleared cheques/debits	08/10/12	£ 0.00
Uncleared cheques/credits	08/10/12	£ 0.00

5.2 Overall income is 2% down on last year, but we are still financially OK especially in view of the current general situation.

We now have more regular users and fewer "one-offs".

Village Week made just over £2000.

As the film night on 29th Sept. was held to raise funds for a new screen for the hall, SW asked if we could consider lowering the hire charge. It was agreed that this would not be possible.

6. Booking Secretary's Report:

6.1 Overall bookings are steady. There are already several in place for next year.

6.2 We can apply for 12 TENS in a calendar year.

6.3 Should we consider providing bar facilities? The general feeling was that it is not a good idea.

7. Property Maintenance Committee Report:

7.1 A meeting was held on 10th September.

7.2 The folding table for wheelchair use in the kitchen has now been purchased and will be fitted soon. **Action RJS**

7.3 JD has spoken to Honiton Electricals about the outstanding work, and he will remind them that he has still not heard anything. **Action JD.**

7.4 Malcolm Randall has been given a verbal "go ahead" to complete his survey.

7.5 The broken Hall sign needs to be replaced. MW has approached G.Podbury who supplied the last one. The shape and position would be considered after the meeting. **Action MW**

7.6 The new freezer is in place and MS offered to dispose of the old one. **Action MS.**

- 7.7 The planning application for the metal sheds is to be renewed as soon as JD has finished the screen planting.
- 7.8 The preschool have asked for their own key. Our policy is not to give out individual keys so the request will be refused.
- 7.9 Preschool have acquired a second hand fridge which will need PAT testing. RJS will arrange this and preschool will pay. **Action RJS**
- 7.10 JD has a carpet which he is happy to donate to the preschool.

8. Village Day:

Bob reported that Village Day had been a great success, and he has received some positive feedback. There were no displays, but people seemed to enjoy all the activities. The bouncy castle was particularly popular. The event finished at 5.30 and several people stayed behind to help clear up.

The Chair thanked Bob for all his hard work in leading the Village Week team.

The Meeting ended at 8.30pm.

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 26th November 2012.