

Preston Village Hall Committee Meeting

5pm Friday 19th October 2019

Present: Alexander Lindsay, Anne Mingins, Barbara King, Chris Sutton, Sue Gulliford, Therese Munro Warwick.

Apologies: Rosie Jones, Ioan Jones.

Officers: TM-W has stood down as chairman due to moving to a new house and family matters. CS has taken over until someone else volunteers.

Thank you to Sue Gulliford for joining the committee.

Matters arising from Last meeting on 27th June 2019.

The Safari supper did not take place due to the proposed organizer's personal problems.

There has been no further progress on limewashing the kitchen cupboard or work on the kitchen cupboard doors.

No further leaking from the roof in the lady's toilet.

No more reports of use of both kettles at once tripping the safety switch.

CS has not yet bought new eye wash for the First Aid kit.

AM has requested the electrician to PAT test the electrical equipment, but this has not yet been done.

There were no further reports of leaking from the urn during this year's fete.

The cleaners 'Helpful Hands' are coming regularly on the first Friday of the month, following the monthly coffee morning.

BK has bought and installed a baby changing unit in the lady's toilet. She is owed £20 for this.

It is not known whether RJ has purchased a whiteboard and marker pens, or extra magnets for the outside notice board.

The £18pm cost of the Wifi is now being shared between the Parish Council and the Village Hall.

Finance: Summary from IJ:

1. Bank Balance £9,000
2. CDC over-paid us for election days, so we refunded them £562, leaving £380 for us

3. We have not received payment from Sing & Sign,
Invoiced 27 July, Reminder 6 Sept; 10 weeks £120 + £30 heating = £150

4. Lloyds Bank have given us 'View' privilege for our account, but not given full access, despite our second request.

(Still can't sent money by transfer - I can feel another row with them coming up!)

5. Charity Commission - financial return for 2018 submitted.

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Note. CS and IJ have previously discussed the Treasurer using online banking and how any payments would be verified by the committee. To be discussed at next committee meeting.

We discussed what action could be taken to recover the unpaid rent from the organizer of Sing and Sign. AM has made numerous attempts to recover this already. She will now put together a more formal letter from the committee, for approval before sending.

Future Events:

Quiz night. Cathy Lynn will run this on **Friday 22nd November.**

7.30 for 8pm start. Teams of 4-6: Tickets £5 each with a Cheese Ploughman's Supper and soft drinks included. Arrangements will be the same as last year. i.e. CS: cheeses, BK: butter, crisps, RJ :Bread, paper napkins (there are some in the plate drawer), blackboard and chalk, flowers for Cathy. TM-W: celery sticks, grapes or apples, pickles. Chutney, onions, gluten free biscuits. AM: soft drinks, AL: 6bars of good chocolate for the winners' prize. Losers' prize: the gnome from the kitchen window sill. Any leftover cheese to be auctioned at the end. TM-W will prepare a quiz night flier for distribution around the village which will include the date for the Christmas drinks party. SG and AM will distribute fliers. AM will advertise the date in the newsletter.

Christmas Drinks Party. Friday 20th December 6-8pm.

AL: licence, IJ: Mulled wine BK: Raffle prizes (CS has 2 bottles of spirits from a previous donation).

Further arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting: **Friday 13th December at 5pm.**