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PRESTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING  
TUESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2021

**Present:** Alan Stone, Anne Mingins, Chris Sutton, Ioan Jones, Rosie Jones, Julie Tomblin, Susan Gulliford, Sue Cameron, Therese Munro Warwick.

**Apologies:** Barbara King.

**Matter Arising from last meeting:** Non.

**Trustees:** After much discussion it was decided that to conform with the current Charity Commission Document, the following members will act as Trustees of the Village Hall. Alexander Lindsay (Parish Church), Ioan Jones (Parish Church), Julie Tomblin (Parish Council), Sue Cameron (Parish Council), Chris Sutton, Susan Gulliford and Anne Mingins.

It is our intention to discuss any required amendments to the Scheme for the Regulation of the charity (named as Preston Old School) at a future meeting.

**Finance:** **IJ** reported that the current bank balance is £ 33,800.

This reflects another grant from Cotswold District Council of £8,000.00, payment from the yoga group which has restarted, and payment of £1,500 to the Parish Council as previously agreed.

**JT** asked that we check that the hall has been correctly valued for insurance purposes, as should the hall not be adequately insured, the Trustees would be liable. **CS** will check with GRCC how valuations for village halls are usually obtained. **IJ** will ask our insurers the current figure covered.

**Maintenance and Proposed works:** Improvements to the lighting are planned for June 21<sup>st</sup>. This will be replacement of the current fluorescent tubes with their LED equivalent and fitting of uplighters on some of the beams to provide more ambient lighting. The electrician will require a tower to work from, **IJ** will organize the hire of this.

**IJ** and **CS** met with Ed Van Tiel. He was provided with the specification for providing the oil fired central heating. He has yet to provide a costing. It was decided that another company should be asked to quote for the job.

**JT** agreed to contact Lovatts and to show them the premises.

**AS** has fixed the gutter at the back of the kitchen which was hanging off. He reported that that more work was required to make it permanent, and he will look into what is necessary.

**WiFi:** After many attempts **SG** eventually managed to get agreement from Gigaclear to provide a free service to the Village Hall, including installation. The agreement being that at least once a year Gigaclear can use the hall free of charge to promote their service. **AM** has given permission for the cable to be laid up the

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path to the hall. **CS** has informed the Parish Clerk that the contract with Plus Net can be cancelled when the current contract ends in July.

**Village Noticeboard:** Since the **AM** had been unable to make further contact with the carpenter who agreed to make the new doors for the noticeboard, **CS** phoned from her mobile number and managed to speak to him. He was unable to answer if and when the doors would be available, put the phone down and apparently blocked the number. A WhatsApp to him cancelling the order is unread but we consider the order cancelled. **AM** will now contact Betec Joinery.

**Cleaning: TMW** confirmed that the cleaners are booked for the first Friday of each month. She will check that this is ongoing. It was felt that this is adequate as all the hirers are doing their own wipe down of equipment before and after sessions.

**CS** has removed the notices asking people not to use the hand driers as these are in normal use in other premises.

**Hall use:** Yoga classes have recommenced, a belly dancing class (all ages), and an art class. The regular art class is due to recommence in September, if Covid restrictions have been relaxed.

All the classes have risk assessed and are complying with the Covid guidelines for the hall.

**Events:** The plant sale, held in 2 positions on the village street on June 5<sup>th</sup> was again successful. Currently sales and donations are around £260. This is earmarked for to go to a fund for provision of more play equipment.

The Parish Council is currently trying to negotiate to extend the lease on the playing field.

**Future:** It was suggested that we have another Prosecco and Cream Tea, either in the hall or in the road to celebrate the end of Covid restriction, providing restrictions have been lifted by the proposed date, Saturday July 17<sup>th</sup>.

This can be arranged when we have more information.

The Village Fete is to be held on 25<sup>th</sup> September. **AM** will ask Cathy Lynn if she is willing to do a Quiz during October.

There will probably be a street party to Celebrate the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Queen's Coronation at the beginning of June 2022.

**Date of next meeting: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September 5pm.**

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