

## FIGHELDEAN VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

### MINUTES OF THE 93rd MEETING HELD ON 7 November 2018

**Present:** Mr B England (Chairman)  
Mrs M Try (Secretary)  
Ms J Dryden and Ms T Cole (Hall Managers)  
Mrs L Chapman  
Mr T Mason  
Mr D Hanson  
Mrs C Hicks  
Mr T Woodbridge  
Mrs C Lacey  
Mr R Horner

Item		Action
<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and Apologies</b>  The Chairman welcomed everyone present. Apologies for absence had been received from Mr S Banton. Mr A Hayes has resigned from the Committee.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Minutes of the 92nd Meeting</b>  The Minutes, having been circulated, were approved by those present and signed by the Chairman.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Matters Arising</b> 3.1 The chairman will write to Mr and Mrs Hayes thanking them for all their work over the years. 3.2 The cost of the Touring Pantomime Company performance was too expensive. 3.3 A grant for a 32 amp socket may be available. If not, the Hall Managers will investigate the possibility of Figgfest paying.	
<b>4</b>	<b>Treasurer's Report</b>  4.1 Bookings are slightly down. 4.2 The Village Hall electricity account is still in credit. Monthly payments will therefore continue at £125. Discussions are ongoing regarding actual usage. 4.3 The hall Broadband provider was changed from BT to Vodaphone on 5 November. 4.4 The Treasurer queried the March-September water bill of £620. A small leak in the changing room has been repaired. The Treasurer will investigate the possibility of claiming a rebate due to faulty equipment. The Hall Managers will now take monthly readings. 4.5 The Treasurer will investigate an unexpected bill for grass cutting.	

<p><b>5</b></p>	<p><b>Hall Managers' Report</b></p> <p>5.1 Bookings for next year are good. There is a regular booking from the NHS for Blood Donor sessions.</p> <p>5.2 A quote will be obtained from Hillarys for the 3 blinds in the Conference Room.</p> <p>5.3 A quote will be obtained from Hillarys for replacement carpet in the Conference Room.</p> <p>5.4 The Fire extinguishers have passed the annual check.</p> <p>5.5 The stage extension will be used for The Pink Floyd Tribute Band concert. The Hall Managers will need volunteers to help with setting up the stage extension.</p> <p>5.6 The Hall Managers reported very positive feedback from users of the Hall.</p> <p>5.7 A new Hoover has been purchased.</p> <p>5.7 Lighting has been improved.</p> <p>5.8 The Hall Managers will arrange a ramp and a grab rail to be installed at the Disabled Door access.</p> <p>5.9 The Hall Managers will need help to erect the marquee lining in the hall.</p> <p>6.0 The Hall Managers have created a Facebook page for the hall.</p> <p>6.1 The Hall Managers will arrange for a new lock on the changing room door.</p> <p>6.2 The Hall Managers reported that the external emergency door in the kitchen has warped.</p>	
<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>Utilisation and Marketing</b></p> <p>6.1 Mr Horner raised the possibility of increasing advertising. He suggested investigating wedding magazines since weddings receptions were a strong revenue stream. He will arrange a meeting with the Hall Managers to discuss the matter in January.</p>	
<p><b>7</b></p>	<p><b>Health and Safety</b></p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	
<p><b>8</b></p>	<p><b>Improvements for the Hall</b></p> <p>8.1 The committee discussed relocating the defibrillator outside the Village Hall and the possibility of a second defibrillator in the village. Mr Menzies will discuss the matter with the Parish Council.</p>	
<p><b>9</b></p>	<p><b>Any other business</b></p> <p>9.1 The chairman will write to Arqiva to notify them that three boys were seen climbing over the security fence around the mast. A copy will be sent to the Community Police Officer.</p> <p>9.2 Village Fayre account. The Committee agreed that the money in the Village Fayre account should be transferred to the Village Hall account for use in the community for village events. The chairman will write to Mr Cane (Treasurer of the Village Fayre Committee). Money is also available from the Youth Club fund for</p>	

	<p>events in the village for children.</p> <p>9.3 Mr Amison asked the committee if it would consider the possibility of the hall being available on wet weekends for village children. Mr Amison will have further discussions with parents and the Hall Managers and report back to the committee at the next meeting.</p> <p>9.3 Mrs Lacey will meet the Estates Manager to discuss the removal of the climbing bars in the hall.</p> <p>9.4 The Committee agreed to waive the hire charge for the Christmas Fayre.</p>	
	<p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p> <p>The meeting was closed at 8.20pm.</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 6 February 2019 at 7.00pm.</p>	