

Meare and Westhay Village Hall CIO No 1200097

Minutes of meeting held 12th September 2023

Present: Paul Bradley, Hazel Degregorio, Tim Hoskins, Rosie Lander

Apologies: Teresa James

The minutes of the meeting held 22nd August were agreed and signed.

Events: Fork'n'ale has had too little response to make it viable. It was agreed to cancel and refund any monies paid.

Open Meeting: Tim proposed thanks to Hazel for her steering of the meeting. There was a good turnout with the hall being over half full. The finances for the last 7 years were presented and an ongoing survey was discussed. It was proposed that a joint survey with the parish council is carried out and this will be put to the parish council at their next meeting.

£30 donation was paid to the community church for the use of their building.

It was decided to host a family beetle driven on 19th November 6-8pm.

Teas, coffee and cake will be served. Raffle to be organised and prizes researched.

Santa Party: Hazel is investigating grants to help with this. The ages and genders of the recipients will need to be known so gifts aren't wasted (to be discussed at a future meeting). Rosie to check if Santa is DBS certified and do we need to make a grotto. There is a Christmas tree in the container. There will be a science table with simple experiments and a colour a Christmas card table for the attendees entertainment.

Finances: We still don't have access to the existing funds as they are still held in the old committees names.

New forms signed and going into Barclays to open a new account in our names.

AOB: We need a letter to the Parish Council handing back the playing field but this will be discussed at the next parish council meeting.

Next meeting 10th October at Steps Farm.