

Meare and Westhay Village Hall CIO No 1200097

Minutes of meeting held 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024

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

Apologies : None

Minutes of the meeting 21<sup>st</sup> November were agreed and signed.

The annual review is due to the charity commission by 31<sup>st</sup> of January, HD is investigating what documents are needed.

Matters arising: The village survey has shown that a new hall is wanted by the village. This would best be in the form of a simple rectangle which can be extended in the future. MPAG have a collapsible stage which can be used if needed. New plans will be required as we will need to start from the beginning to reduce the overall costs. We will investigate and try to use a local architect. The existing plans will be too costly to build.

Finance: Banks statements have been received from the previous trustees including a letter saying closure of the account cannot be actioned as there are insufficient signatories and this needs to be resubmitted. We will still need a cheque for the final balance. We were unsuccessful in our Somerset Community Foundation grant application.

Nat West Bank Current Acc. £3988.19

Reserve Acc. £ 20,036.17

Events: The children's santa party went very well and we received many positive comments. A letter of thanks needs to be sent to Santa and Mrs Claus.

Quiz booked for 17<sup>th</sup> February 7.30pm. PB is quizmaster, RL will sort a raffle and tea & coffee will be served. RL to arrange cakes.

Table Top sale is booked for 25<sup>th</sup> February. We can accommodate 10 tables at £10 each . This will run from 12-4pm. Tea, coffee and cake will be available. RL to advertise.

A film night is planned for 23<sup>rd</sup> March, this will be billed as a food event with a locally filmed film being shown. We will ask Fred Giles for help with this.

Car Boot and strawberry fair Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July 11-4pm. Set up 10-11. £10 per car, £15 small van and £20 van. Pre booking preferred. We will serve a pre booked high tea and look at doing a barbeque. Toilets will need to be hired including a disabled one. HD will look at first aid requirements.

A.O.B. We need to get the list of potential volunteers from Gerard. This will be requested at the next parish council meeting.

Next meeting 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Steps Farm.