

Ordinary Meeting

Thursday July 18th, 7pm

Venue – BAVH

Agenda & Minutes

1. Welcome
2. Apologies for absence – Ali, Alice, & Charlotte
3. Minutes (April minutes are the last set and they were approved already – thanks Tim for taking the notes)
4. Matters arising
 - a. Internet connection – let's get one – we will install BT full fibre broadband (basic package – Jon will enquire)
 - b. Card machine for card payments at events – we decided to hold fire as new iPhone updates will be installed later in the year
 - c. Drone photos of the hall – thanks Alex and Charlotte for offering, we'd like to take up that offer, on an evening when the hall is in use (Jon will talk with Alex)
 - d. Progress update on the hedge – we are content with the result now that the post and rail is in. Next steps: decide what we're putting in whips, on a zig zag basis, e.g. specimen trees in gaps. The ground also needs levelling.
 - e. Table tennis plans – a trial event has been planned; if there is enough interest we hope there will be a club formed. Also we are enjoying using the table at Pub Nights.
 - f. Pickle Ball plans – Mike is considering options.
5. Reports
 - a. Fund Raising – Di doesn't have an update this month so isn't attending
 - b. Events & Fundraising – Jon will give an update on behalf of Ali:

Lots going on with the Arts Council – we need to sort acoustics (see below) and staging. Staging can be hired potentially. We now have a busy agenda. Thanks to all for the effort that has gone into organising.

- c. Treasurer report

The financial summary was circulated via email – thanks Andi for this work on Q1. We discussed the recent donations and the income of £498 from events in the first quarter of our financial year, along with other income and outgoings. The purchase of table tennis tables was subsidised by the grant and kind local donation. **The recent donation by a friend of Adrienne's late husband in the States, in Tony's name, was very generous and greatly appreciated.**

Recent costs of the path, fencing, and the tree-stump grinding were also discussed.

The reconciliation process via Charlotte is a great way to overcome the booking vs bank income queries. Thanks Charlotte for supporting with this ongoing task.

Welsh Water account is being investigated, in terms of costs and meters. Andi will find out more from Mike in terms of access to the account.

Stripe access was discussed. An 'access' recap with training on our various systems will be planned. Tim is reminding everyone of how to log into the system, via the link.

Andi and Mike will be visiting the bank over the coming weeks too, in terms of sorting the transfer.

d. Maintenance, Building Facilities, Health & Safety, and Risk Assessment Actions /
News

Recent work has included completing the pathway at the back door. Thanks to all involved.

Double doors on small store have been measured with a view to replacement. Composite doors are being considered: a quote is pending. Jon is dealing with this.

Exterior wall cleaning on the end of the building is still pending. We will look for a team of volunteers to work on this, which Anthony will project lead. We will advertise a work party date in due course, over the summer, to get this sorted in the warm weather.

Kicker boards on the doors in aluminium will be fitted on the internal hall's doors. Jon will organise this.

Garden Gate has dropped; yes please to Adrienne's gardner fixing this, that would be a great help.

Acoustics. Cloud considerations. We could buy some disks from the Woolly Shephard in Dorset, and arrange in shapes to trial how effective these are. Jon will investigate this further.

Solar panels: Alex kindly volunteered to investigate the options on this for us. We'd like to decide kilowattage needed and cost of battery sizes; we may then be able to access sustainability funding.

Accessibility options (external hand rails) are being considered for the front of the building. Anthony has kindly agreed to investigate options and costs.

An architect technician will be approached to review options for the future.

The front door will also be adjusted, Jon will be fixing this very soon.

Water heaters being left on by those using the building (despite signage asking for these to be turned off) – perhaps we might be able to have a timer fitted to auto-shut off – Jon will investigate with Ben Preece.

6. AOB

We will encourage those using the round garden benches on the lawn, to ensure that they are placed back on the patio.

7. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 16th October 2024. 7pm. At the Village Hall.