



News Update - May 2023

Renovation Update

WE MADE IT WITH ALL YOUR HELP TO ACHIEVE THE GRAND OPENING OF THE VILLAGE HALL ON SUNDAY 7th MAY –

It certainly was a historic day!

The Trustees are taking a breather to re-charge their batteries, review where we are with the refurbishment and formulate a plan for Stage Two! Our next immediate goal is the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 16th May at 7.30pm at the VH.

So much has been achieved, but there are further improvements/requirements we will need to consider to enhance the Village Hall (for example first on the list are curtains!).

We will keep you informed of the Stage Two requirements and how we intend to go about achieving them.

Fundraising Updates

Grant Update



The Herefordshire Community Foundation, in liaison with the Wye Valley AONB, have generously granted funding of £2,000 for the repair of a section of the boundary stone wall. There is a costing shortfall of £800 which will need to be met by further fundraising/village hall resources.

The 2022/23 Corporate Sponsorship display plaques have been installed to the left of the internal doors in the main hall.



Due to the remarkable amount raised in 2022/23, we have decided to launched a 2023/24 appeal consisting of Gold (£2,000), Silver (£1,000) and Bronze (£500) packages.

We can confirm that four companies have already taken up these 2023/24 Corporate Sponsorships, please contact us if you would like to participate in this fundraiser and get your name up on our wall –

Gold Sponsorship – EOB Distribution Limited Bronze Sponsorship – Alder Preece Electrical* Bronze Sponsorship – Phocle Green Business Park Bronze Sponsorship – Gaswerx Australia (The Nutman Family)* *Plaques in production

'BUY A BRICK' Fundraising Campaign

The 2022/23 Buy a Brick Fundraising display has been installed to the left of the entrance doors in the Foyer.



We would like to say a final **THANK YOU** for the financial support of these two campaigns, it made the most significant difference to what we were able to achieve with the refurbishment of the Village Hall!

Events

7th May 2023 – The Opening of Brampton Abbotts Village Hall and Celebration of King Charles III Coronation

On Sunday 7th May after five long years of the Village Hall being closed, parishioners, family and friends came together for the Grand Opening and Coronation Celebration of King Charles III.

101 Adults and 22 Children came along on the day, c £700 was raised from the Raffle, Cake Club cake sales and Photo Booth (all from volunteer/voluntary contributions and efforts). The ticket cost was based on the cost of the catered food for a capacity of 120. The surplus came from an additional late release of tickets once the weather predictions brightened – the event raised a fantastic total of £1,052.27 (Including a £100 donation from Keith & Gaynor Thomas).

A huge **THANK YOU** to every single person involved in the planning, execution and support of a day we will all remember and go down in history!

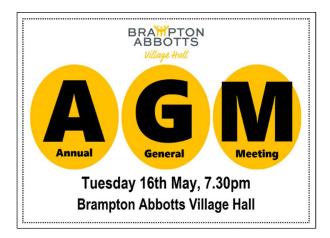
Charlotte Shepherd produced a fabulous video of the day that can be viewed on the following link <u>https://youtu.be/JkaGe2zgts0</u>



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16th May 2023 – VH Annual General Meeting

Please come along to the AGM on Tuesday 16th May 7.30pm at the VH, to hear what we have to say, tell us what you think and show your support. Immediately following the AGM the new team will hold a Trustee Meeting.



Bookings & What's On

Bookings for the hire of the Hall are now being taken, please email us at admin@bavhall.co.uk

Refer to the What's On section of the website for regular and future events.

Volunteers

If you are interested in joining the Brampton Abbotts Village Hall volunteers and helping out in any way you can, please contact us via email: <u>admin@bavhall.co.uk</u>

PS It doesn't have to be a huge commitment - every little helps to make a big difference.

You can choose what suits you best...



A big 'Thank You' to -

Steve Winney Building, Driveways, Extension and Patios for installing as a charity donation a new base for our shed. We had fun manoeuvring it into position with Jon's tractor!



Jack Clements for funding the tuning of 'Dolly' the VH Piano and to Janet Auty for playing the national anthem on it at the Coronation Celebration.



Signs & Labels in Hereford for printing FOC our large format backdrop for the Coronation Celebration photo booth – it provided so many memorable, crazy photos!



£100 donation from Gaynor & Keith Thomas on the Grand Opening day.

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Oak House Nursery School, Spring Gate Nursery School, Brampton Abbotts Primary School and all the children in the village for producing such creative Coronation Bunting that filled every wall of the VH. Thank you to Charlotte Shepherd for organising this and showcasing such a spectacular display of artwork.

...and finally **THANK YOU** to all the bakers for donating the scrummy cakes for our Coronation celebration.

Next Trustee Meeting

The next Trustee's meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 31st May, 7pm at the Village Hall. This meeting will be held in lieu of the June meeting.

Hope to see you at the AGM on the 16th May, 7.30pm at the VH



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