



LOTTERY FUNDED
HEWISH & PUXTON VILLAGE HALL

Minutes of The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall held on the 26th November 2014 at the Village Hall.

Attendees

C Barker (CB) (Chairman & Secretary), P Pearce (PP) (Vice Chairman), D Hutchings (DHu) Treasurer, L Lang (LL), J Hunt (JH), L Evans (LE) D Hares (DH).

Apologies were received from J Woolmington

Actions from the Committee Meeting of the 20th May 2014

1. Signage of the Hall – Sign quotes supplied by NSDC. As everyone was greater than £500, the meeting decided to not go forward with the scheme. Discussion followed and the meeting decided to as D Mead for funding. **Action CB.**
2. Vermin Control – Squirrels and mice are back. The committee will try to remove. **Action CB.**
3. Post Box for Hall – Still to be installed. **Action CB.**
4. Hewish Hall @ 50! No interest shown. The Council have apparently sent flyers out to all parishioners.
5. Congresbury Church @ 800. Chairman to contact Congresbury Church **Action CB.**

The minutes were therefore adopted.

Open House

JH asked for the spot light in the car-park to be adjusted to be on for longer. **Action DHu.**

LL requested that the committee investigate whether a hornets nest was in the roof space. **Action DHu.**

LE asked for a notice to be put up on the fridge plug to ask people not to switch it off. **Action CB.**

LL asked the committee whether it was correct that the Chairman could be secretary as well. **Action CB.**

PP reported a leak in a radiator. **Action DHu**

Election of Officers

All current officers re-elected.

Treasurers' Report

DHu presented the accounts for the year ending 30 September 2014. The accounts showed a deficit of nearly £400.

Chairman's Report

Following on from the treasurer's report, CB laid out the financial picture over the last 4 years. Each year had shown an effective loss when allowing for income from Lottery grants and its' associated expenditure. CB then reported that the income generated from current regular hirers would fall short of the average hall expenditure over the last four years by around £500. This analysis backs up the situation at present. This is not sustainable. The meeting then discussed many issues ranging from raising hire rates, to innovative fund raising and find out about solar panels. CB agreed to write to all hirers to ask them to give up income from one of their hires or try and raise funds from within their groups. General hire rates will be raised to £10 an hour and a £30 minimum.

Action CB

Any other Business

Next Meeting, a committee meeting was arranged for the 19th May 2015

Meeting Closed at 21:25

C M Barker Chairman & Secretary