

BUCKLAND NEWTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at the Village Hall on 12th June 2007 at 8.00 pm

ATTENDANCE

Kate Beaumont [KB], Janet Burnett [JB], Jeremy Collins [JC], Chris Hildred [CH], Ian Scott [IS], Janet Shaw [JS], Sue Sulkin [SS], Joyce Warne [JW]

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Bridget Baker, Nicki Barker, Stephen White and Keith Wright.

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 17TH APRIL 2007

The minutes were approved unanimously and signed by the Chair.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Art Courses. One course may be run, the second possible course will not be run.

Village Produce Initiative. No progress so far.

4. FINANCIAL REPORT

Sue Sulkin reported as follows:

Money Management Account: £1,540.42

Treasurer's Account: £312.01

CAF Account (including Toilet Refurbishment Fund): £26,474.23

Amounts due from Under Fives and Yoga have been received.

Bookings and Booking Fees. Moviola have provisionally booked four films for the Autumn season, to be confirmed once Artsreach programme is decided.

Cleaning. Grace Hunt cleans midweek for an hour; Kelly Martin cleans for 2.5 hours on Sunday, with extra work at half-term and in the school holidays.

Electrical Work. Stephen White's bill (£303.03) has been paid – new taps in kitchen and 12 CFL lamps. Obsolete equipment has been removed and on-site repairs made to equipment to ensure compliance with regulations. Snooks' original certificate was for 5 years. As this is now overdue a new certificate is needed. Stephen White estimates that further work is required at a cost of £391.50 to complete all modifications, plus a five-year test at £440. Agreed that we should seek an external quote for the 5 year inspection. Stephen White is resigning from the Committee as he is also now a Parish Councillor. Ian Scott to contact Winterborne Kingston for name of recommended electrician.

Alarms. Alarms are now out of warranty.

Lighting Bars and Sound System. Ian Scott to contact ASS

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(installers) to confirm their views on testing requirements for this equipment.

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5. **HALL IMPROVEMENTS**

Hall Improvements were discussed at the AGM (held after the Committee Meeting) but for the sake of completeness, the results of the discussions are summarised here.

Some minor work is needed to front gate posts and the gate to the oil tank. The render on the kitchen wall needs attention; also the drain outside the Committee Room fire exit. The major work envisaged is refurbishment of the toilet and bar area. Chris Hildred had drawn up proposals and outline estimates obtained. It was agreed that we should now obtain detailed quotes, but Chris Hildred offered to carry out much of the work himself in conjunction with Vic Miles. An 'Open Day' when all Village Hall users and other interested parties could form working parties to carry out work was suggested. Chris to organise. A BBQ could also be arranged for the same day.

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6. **HEALTH AND SAFETY**

No issues raised.

7. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The possibility of installing broadband under the 'Connecting Dorset' initiative by DCA (Dorset Community Action) was discussed. Julian English of POPPS (Partnerships for Older People) was keen to set up computer clubs in locations such as the village hall and there was also an initiative to provide Parish Clerks with on-line access and computers. It was felt that security of equipment could be an issue to be addressed. A formal approach from the Parish Council was awaited.

8. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

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The meeting closed at 8.20 pm.