

MINUTES
PRESTON VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2021

Present: Chris Sutton, Ioan Jones, Anne Mingins, Rosie Jones, Sue Gulliford, Sue Cameron, Therese Munro Warwick, Alan Stone, Alexander Lindsay and Alan Stone.

Minutes of last meeting: approved.

Matters arising from last meeting: non.

Finance: IJ reported that the balance in the current account is £ 32,995. The electrical update cost £592.00. Income and expenses noted and approved.

Maintenance: IJ. Heating: We had a quote for £600.00 from SSE to put an extra electricity line to the hall. This had to be paid before they would survey. The survey has been booked.

The plan is to have an electric boiler and radiators as before. The boiler could either go into the ladies loo or the kitchen cupboard, depending on where SSE agree to fit the new line.

Insulation: IJ is also investigating the cost of improving the insulation of the hall.

Booking: We are also looking into booking system software.

Notice board: AM Betec are now working on the doors.

Hall Use: AM Busy. The hall is being well used.

Cleaning: TMW. The cleaners are now going to be going in early (8.30am) on the first Monday of each month.

Events: Unfortunately, the Quiz had to be postponed. We hope to reschedule in the Spring.

The Christmas Mulled Wine and Mince pie evening will be held on Friday 17th December 6 to 8pm. Usual formula. Mulled wine - Rosie and Ioan, Nonalcoholic punch (small amount) - Chris. Mince pies - everyone. (some gluten free). Sausage rolls - Chris and ?

Rosie will enquire about suitable sugar free drinks.

Further arrangements will be made via our WhatsApp group.

Other business:

JT reminded us about the Queen's Jubilee Celebration in May 2022. It is hoped that the Parish Council, Village Hall and Church can come together to arrange a village celebration. This will probably include a Street Party on the May Bank Holiday weekend.

She also asked that the Village Hall make a donation to the Parish Council's budget for 2022-2023. The Parish Council need to fix their budget at their meeting on 13th January 2022.

We will need to have a discussion around this, based on expected expenditure for intended refurbishments to the village hall and intended Parish Council

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Income/expenditure for 2022-23 prior to our next meeting on Monday 10th January.

AS reported that he and IJ had investigated the intermittent leak in the ladies toilet. They had not found any water ingress from the roof. They did find that the whole of the wall behind the baby changing unit was wet, from rising damp. It appears that water is running down from the wall onto the floor and making the puddle that appears in the corner. The discoloured area on the ceiling is in an area with very little insulation compared to the rest of the roof, so may just be due to cold. They are investigating further.

Date of next meeting: Monday 10th January, 5pm.