

MINUTES

The Village Hall, Northend

AGM and Committee Meeting

4th October 2008

10am

Present

Helena Djurkovic

Rob Oldershaw

Michael Wicks

James McConville

Colin Malcolmson

Cayla Twemlow

Pam Jones

Wendy Duerden

Andy Nichols

Amanda Bucknill

Chair

Treasurer

Turville Parish Council

Secretary

1. **Apologies :**
Ashlyn Squizzoni
Margaret Drage
2. **Minutes of the last meeting:**
Approved
3. **Matters Arising**

Financial Report:

Rob Oldershaw reported finances to March 31st 2008.

Expenses:

A major expenditure had been the insurance. Changing insurers was discussed.

(Action: RO is to look into changing from the Alliance to Norwich Union)

There is a claim being made due to the tree from the boundary damaging the roof.

The insurers want an annual independent report of the tree. The current claim could mean that insurance costs will increase in the future.

Maintenance had been the re-pointing work and roof repairs, the external switches and plastering.

Utility costs are rising. Electricity is increasing. The water is now being paid monthly which could be why the expense fluctuates.

Income:

The Nursery was again the major source of income. In 2008 the nursery were there for 5 weeks so the figure will be up on 2007 when the nursery took 4 weeks. Lettings were reasonably stable.

Table tennis and Pilates were regular.

The Accounts were approved.

4. Election of Trustee and Officers

There were no new elections of trustees and officers. All agreed to continue for another year.

5. Any Other Business

To be discussed in the committee meeting.

The AGM was closed at 10.40am

The next AGM will be the 3rd of October 2009

The Committee Meeting was opened

Matters Arising:

Marketing

CT reported that an advert placed in Watlington car park had been removed.

JM reported that the Watlington Times will give us a 50% discount.

(Action: JM to put advert in Watlington Times)

Bookings

There has been – 6 childrens parties, 1 christening, 1 church group outing, 2 garden design events and Crackers children’s club . Aswell as Turville Nursery for 6 weeks, and table tennis and pilates.

The first Aid course was deemed a success.

There was a query as to the Village Association Music Night, and their contribution to the village hall. Steve Blake will be approached for news

Future Booking:

3 parties are booked. Crackers have booked again.

A new children’s drama club is starting.

There is a charity Table Top Sale on the 8th of November.

The cricket club will have their AGM.

Village Hall Plaque

The expenses of the plaque were approved but there was some concern over the wording. MW thought that the title Turville Northend Village Hall was confusing . JM said this was the official charity commission title, but RO pointed out that all the bank accounts have different names, and there seemed to be no general title.

It was agreed to use the term “The Village Hall, Northend”.

Fire Regulations

RO has followed this up.

Building Works

HD thanked CT for all her work.

The front door is the only outstanding work.

CT said that when the window sills were painted, rot was revealed which needs to be addressed.

(Action: CT will get estimates before the next meeting in February)

It was agreed to defer for another year any internal work.

Frontage

HD thanked AN for all his work on the frontage, and his continued work on the grounds and exterior.

AN has agreed to be arbitrator in the ongoing boundary issue.

HD thanked JM for all his time spent on this problem. JM sad there will be expenses. Involved.

Sign

(Action: AN is to design a sign in cast aluminium. He will bring designs and costs to the next meeting).

Side Garden

DH thanked all concerned with the work on he side garden beds.

A membrane will be put down and some shrubs on top surrounded by a covering.

A decision is needed as to whether to use gravel or Cotswold chipping.

(Action CM is going to bring a sample of both for a decision to be made.

JM is to get quotes on each material, and sort out labour)

Any Other Business

(SB was to register for film use – following the action at the last meeting).

The Meeting was closed at 11am

The next Committee Meeting will be on the 7th of February 2009