

Booking Officer: (VJ)

Unfortunately, due to the snow, we had four cancellations – Michael Vaughan, Antique Valuations, Salcombe and Malborough Flower Club, Bingo fundraising evening for the girls rowing the Atlantic, and the Pre-school Table Top Sale. The latter has rebooked for Saturday morning 5 May. KYF have their usual Bingo evening booked for Friday, 30 March, and there is another garden furniture sale on Sunday, 8 April, Cancer Research has a fund raising evening Thursday 19th April, Aaron has another boxing event booked for 21 April and the rowing girls have booked a Ball on Saturday, 28 April. Kingsbridge Estuary U3A have their first meeting on Friday, 27 April, which we hope is the first of many. RNLI Salcombe Fundraisers have a concert on 5 May which may require the stage extension to be pulled out. This was noted and the team will help with the work on the 5th. The Preschool have their Table Top Sale on the morning of the 5th, and it is hoped that this will not be a problem. The extension would have to be put back on the morning of Sunday 6th.

Car Park / Extension Update (GA)

Following the detailed discussion at the last committee meeting an additional plan has been received. The committee gave full and detailed consideration to the revised proposals but the unanimous view was that the new plan would offer no advantage over the existing one, and the following principle objections were raised: –

- a. The additional parking proposed would be too far from the Hall
- b. It would require the moving of the cricket square and junior pitches, which is not practicable.
- c. There were serious safety concerns with regard to the cycle track crossing the path of vehicles
- d. It was agreed that the highways department would have strong objections to a new access onto the main road

The committee was advised by the Chairman of the Parish Council that the current offer of financial assistance is dependent upon the adoption of the current plan (revised at the recent Drop in Session) currently under a planning application. The funding currently available may only be used for this project. Should MVH decide to opt to go with another plan then this funding cannot be used and the planning application will be withdrawn. MPC are fully supportive of the plan as it stands.

South Hams District Council has raised a query regarding the drainage of the proposed extension to car park, and have advised that a percolation test plus drainage scheme must be completed by 30 March. GA is seeking a drainage engineer to carry out this work before the deadline.

In addition, it will be necessary to go through the Heads of Terms process with Fields in Trust – as has been the case for the Devon Air Ambulance Light and Gas Governor Cabinet in the past. Fields in Trust have already been made aware of the plan but want to wait for the decision on the planning application before proceeding.

Action: GA

On a vote of those present, that we proceed with the original plan, the voting was as follows: –

For: 10; against 0; abstentions 0.

Audio Visual Aids

The new screen will be installed on 26th March.

The provision of a projector is under review, and whether or not we purchase or rent the equipment will depend upon demand.

Purchasing of an interactive whiteboard for the Annexe to be delayed until the next committee meeting for discussion and decision. (Funding has already been received for this purchase).

Concern was raised regarding the intrusion of daylight into the hall during daytime shows etc which can interfere with enjoyment. The provision of blackout blinds for installation behind the lower curtains was discussed. GA had received a quote for £147.30 for the lower windows on the south side and £65.46 on the west side. It was agreed that we would purchase a full set of blinds for £212.00 and make further decisions regarding the other windows once the benefits of these blinds had been assessed. GA to accurately measure the windows involved and confirm cost before proceeding. **Action: GA**
The matter of providing suitable blackout for the fire doors was discussed, where in the past black plastic has been stuck over the doors to block out the light.

Projects

GA submitted a list of projects to the committee and invited comment on the items thereon.

a. **Refurbishment of the ladies' toilets:** an estimate for the total refurbishment of the toilets has been received, at between £3,000 and £4,000. An alternative would be a contract to freshen up the paint and general environment for this year, and to refurbish them properly in 2019. It was agreed that GA should proceed on this basis and obtain a quote for the work to be carried out at the same time as the Entrance Hall **Action: GA**

b. **Shower room / Cloakroom / Cleaner's Cupboard**

One quote received to carry out the work as previously detailed is £4,500. JY confirmed that the Parish Council may contribute towards this cost and will advise accordingly. **Action: GA**

c. **Entrance hall to Main Hall**

It was agreed that this area is in need of redecoration, for which a quote has been received for £600-£700 **Action: GA**

d. **Annex lighting**

This will be reviewed by AM in due course. **Action: AM**

e. **Grandstand**

The grandstand is in urgent need of repair, this belongs to the village, not specifically to MVH, and discussions will be held with the football club as to how we proceed regarding refurbishment. **Action: SD**

f. **Fence on Collaton Road bank**

A working party will remove and burn the rotten fence in the Spring, and a contractor employed to install a post and rail fence for safety. **Action: GA**

g. **Gang mower base**

This is part of a funding application by KM. SD to report in due course. **Action: SD**

h. **Tennis courts**

The surface of the court is breaking up and it is unlikely that this surface will prove to be serviceable for more than one year. Alternatives and outline costings to carry out this work will be considered at a future date. **Action: JJ**

i. **Projector and stand**

Cost of a stand is £235 however, it was agreed that in order to keep up with technology, and to ensure that no unnecessary costs were involved, we would if necessary hire a suitable projector in the future. Hall hirers who wish to have use of it would be charged a proportion of the total rental cost in order to

encourage the use of this service. If, alternatively, it was decided that we would purchase a projector, we would have to be aware of the necessity to defray the capital cost across the number of rentals, which would be an unknown factor.

Any Other Business

JY advised that the field gatepost will be erected once the weather has improved and ground conditions are more appropriate.

GA advised that the Scarecrow Trail will be held on 26th to 28th of May, and the theme will be “Explorers, Scientists and Adventurers – fact or fiction”. Volunteers are needed for this event.

GA advised that the Variation to the Premises Licence is now approved by SHDC Licensing Officer and can be submitted. The change in licensed hours for sale and supply of alcohol to include each afternoon, together with the conditions required by the Police and which are to be included in this Variation will now appear in the Conditions of Hire and Hiring Agreement which have been changed accordingly. A Notice detailing the Variation to the Premises Licence will be posted around the perimeter of MVH land and at the Hall itself, together with advertising this in the local paper. GA to email committee members with confirmation of the details of the changes for their information together with a copy of the Conditions of Hire.

TC advised that in future, in order to comply with data protection legislation, all circular emails to members of the committee will be sent out as blind copies (bcc) and would appear in recipients’ inbox as addressed to Tim Chandler.

SD advised that KM have appointed a new Secretary and Treasurer. SD remains as Chairman.

The meeting closed at 2110 hrs. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th April 2018 at 7.30pm in the Annex.