

MALBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12th February 2020 At The Annexe, Malborough Village Hall

1. Present:

Gail Allen (GA); Tim Chandler (TC); John Jevans (JJ); Val Jevans (VJ); John Mahood (JM);
Andy Morgan (AM); Jonathan Towne (JT);
John Yeoman (JY) representing Malborough Parish Council
Jill Clarke (JC); representing MAD

2. Apologies:

Kevin Broom representing (KM); Tony Lyle (TL)

3. The Minutes of the last Meeting.

The Minutes of the meeting of 8th January 2020 were approved by the Committee, and signed by the Chairman.

Proposer: GA; **Seconder:** VJ

ACTION

4. Other Matters

a. The Chairman expressed his thanks to John Yeoman for chairing the meeting during the AGM when the new committee was elected.

b. The Old Pavilion: TC reported that he had made an application to Sport England for a Community Asset Fund grant towards the cost of refurbishing the Old Pavilion. If successful, and with the planned refurbishment of the tennis courts, a small redesign of the planned refurbishment might offer the opportunity to use the building, not only for storing a new mowing machine, but also to provide a changing room for tennis players. AM advised that he had ascertained that in terms of the way in which we cut the grass, if we are not planning to use our fields as a cricket pitch, a gang mower is not necessary.

c. JY reported that since the last meeting the subcommittee has met the three contractors who have submitted quotations for new **tennis courts** and has chosen a company based in Dorset, whose MD lives in Plymouth. There will be a new surface, new fencing, tennis net posts and netball posts. Total estimated cost £38,800. Lines will be integral in the top surface and should not therefore require frequent repainting. We might consider using the old netting to provide new nets behind the grandstand and around the football pitch to keep balls out of Cumber Close et cetera. We have the forms required to apply for the 106 monies towards the cost of the tennis courts, but still await a reply from South Hams District Council.

d. JJ advised that BT had come back with a new offer **for Wi-Fi** £36.99. per month on a two-year contract. He has received a quotation from South Hams Aerials of £1,245, to include the router, cable and laser. He has learned recently that the History Society really look forward to Wi-Fi in the hall and the committee agreed that he should instruct BT to arrange for the installation.

e. **GA** reported that two of the **new cubicle doors** in the ladies' toilets had flexed, and have been replaced. Avon Windows have been instructed to provide **new fire doors** on the south side of the hall, and also to carry out **urgent repairs to the leaking windows** on the south side of the hall.

f. **New pedestrian barriers** are to be fitted on the footpath near the play area. The fort in the children's play area needs **new battlements**, and recycled plastic had been considered; although at considerably greater cost it might reduce future maintenance.

g. **The Chairman** has received a letter **from Janice and Ray Ginn**, of 31 Collaton Road Malborough, thanking us for enabling them to access their property for a digger through the grounds. They enclosed cheque for £150 as a donation, and TC will write a letter of thanks

h. **Bookings:** as well as a wedding reception in June, another one is booked for August. There will be an election on May 7th for a new Police Commissioner. J-active have increased their sessions to 5 a week, including two two-hour sessions. Kingsbridge Young Farmers have booked the Hall for their annual show on 16th of February. There will be a "Big Breakfast" fundraiser on 15 March, and Bingo on 10 April. Hazel has once again booked a tribute band – Status Quo – on 7 March. There is a garden furniture sale on 4 April. Michael Rudd has booked the car park for his wedding guests on Saturday, 27 June from 12 to 2-30 and has asked if we could please put out a notice and close of the car park for him; he will be paying for the use of the car park.

i. It was agreed that GA will arrange the printing **250 promotional leaflets** all at a total cost of £100.

j. **The resignation** from the committee by our former treasurer **Duncan Pope** was recognised and thanks were extended to him by the committee for all the hard work he has done during his time in post. TC will write a letter of appreciation.

JM has been liaising with Duncan and will handle receipts and payments, invoices et cetera. We need someone to do the monthly accounts, and GA is in contact with a local lady and will be meeting her this week to discuss the matter further.

k. **JT has spoken again to Torr Forge** regarding the maintenance of the **gang mowers** and is still awaiting the inspection.

l. **Rental charges** will be discussed at the next committee meeting on 11 March.

m. **The chairman** expressed his wish that at the next meeting we should give priority to agreeing our **projects for 2020**, listing them in order of priority and establishing budgets for each project and identifying the source for funding.

5. Date of next meeting:

Wednesday, 11th March 2020, in the Annexe, Malborough Village Hall

6. **The meeting closed at 2100**