

MALBOROUGH VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 14th November 2018 In the Annexe of Malborough Village Hall

Present:

Andy Morgan (AM), Gail Allen (GA), John Jevans(JJ), Val Jevans (VJ), Duncan Pope (DP)
Tim Chandler (TC); John Mahood (JM).
Malborough Parish Council represented by Gill Boyce (GB).

1.Apologies:

Margaret Pearse (MP); Jill Clarke(JC); Jonathan Towne (JT).

2.The Minutes of the last Meeting.

The Minutes of the meeting of 10th October 2018 were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman.

Proposer: John Jevans; **Seconder:** Val Jevans;

3. Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Bonfire night – a comprehensive report was submitted to the committee by GA.
Christmas tree 2018 – an offer of sponsorship of £100 has been received from a local company.
The sponsor has suggested that perhaps a ‘switch on’ be arranged. Perhaps invite children from the local school and choir from Malborough Church
Picnic bench – this has now been secured in the woods
The new Hoover has been purchased
A new CCTV camera is on order

4. Reports

Chairman’s Report (AM): no report

Treasurer’s Report (DP):

DP advised that there are no overdue receivables.

Treasurer’s account: £23,680.6p

Business bank instant (Wood a/c): £3,673.15 p

Business bank instant: £13,351.01p

NS and I: £4,587.98p

A refund of £48.00 has been received from Hallmaster.

JM reported that our contract for electricity from the present supplier runs out at the end of December. The committee decided that a new contractor should be sought, and JM will obtain three quotes before the next committee meeting.

Secretary’s Report (TC): no report

Sports (JJ):

There have been marking problems on the main football pitch, and deep indents have been caused by the use of Roundup, which will not be used again. KM have been instructed not to use Roundup until

further notice. GB advised that SHDC have advised against its use in all public areas. JJ will write to KM to confirm this instruction

JJ

STFC wish to hold their bi-annual charity event for organ transfers on 15 June 2019. They wish to use the field for a football match, and will erect stalls, sell alcohol (for which a licence will be required) and the use of the hall in the evening for festivities and presentation. Paul Billings has been invited to provide bar service.

Gang mowers: Tony Lyle has submitted a report recommending that a shelter be constructed for the gang mowers. A lightweight cover could be fixed behind the grandstand to provide shelter at a cost of £700.00. The cost of an alternative shelter which would extend the existing roof of the grandstand to put on top of a block wall on concrete foundations with doors at either end, estimated cost £3200.00.

Co-op Community funding: we have been accepted for inclusion in the local scheme, which covers the Co-op stores in Kingsbridge, Marlborough and shortly Salcombe. There will be an interim pay-out in June 2019. The declared target for this money will be to provide broadband for all hall users.

Booking Officer: (VJ)

We have received three recent enquiries for wedding receptions, two unfortunately have chosen a different venue and we await a reply from the third.

Aaron has booked another boxing event for May 2019 but advises this will probably be last as it has become so popular that the Hall will no longer be of sufficient size.

Jersey Boys concert was again well attended and Gordon is considering a big-band event for next year. The new exercise classes, including karate, are going well and will almost certainly continue into next year. Badminton group, the Flower Club, Pilates and SVRA have all booked dates through into next year. A fundraising bingo event has been booked by the Co-op for Wednesday, 5 December. SHDC have booked the Annexe for the 2nd May 2019, as the Polling Station for District and Parish elections.

5. Bonfire Night

After all outstanding bills have been received, the event should break even.

John Butler has indicated that he will be standing down as Chairman of the Bonfire Committee 2019. He will be asked to give name of the new chairman to MVH & PA at the AGM. They will be invited to attend the committee at its meeting in June 2019.

6. Projects

Car Parking

Following a recent meeting with a representative of SHDC it was agreed that we would resubmit the application for planning permission using the GOLPLA system which should avoid the additional complication of providing extra drainage to the site. (Our original plan had been agreed dependent on drainage)

The architect will be asked to redraw the plan for resubmission, at a cost of £300.00. This plan will show the dimensions of the areas involved so that a decision can be made on what can be affordable given the funding available.

GOLPLA will be installed at NT Overbecks next spring, and the contractor will be asked to requote on the new basis. Target will be to get everything ready for next spring to link up with the Overbecks job with consequent cost savings.

GA

Fire doors

Several of the fire doors are in a parlous state, one is rotting. Another lets in draughts. Several of the windows in the hall have required urgent action as their operating mechanisms have jammed. These have been inspected and parts ordered by South Hams Double Glazing as emergency repairs. They will be asked to quote for repairs/replacement of the problematic fire doors.

Shower Room

Work on the restructuring and renovation of the old shower room is almost complete, painting has been done, and the flooring will be laid on the 3rd/4th December. The plumber will be replacing the flimsy toilet seat and the online water heater for the small hand basin this week. He will review the lagging of all new pipes to ensure that it is satisfactory. The committee expressed its thanks to AM for all the work he has done to complete the electrical work on the renovation. A new consumer unit is on order. T Electrics will be asked to submit their account. The committee expressed its thanks to Geoff Allen for the work he has done and will be completing to refit the cleaning cupboard.

GA

Ladies' and Disabled Toilets refurbishment

Specialist washroom fitters will be asked to attend site to look at the areas and make their recommendations prior to MVH obtaining quotes from builders/plumbers.

GA

Building Exterior Downpipes

The downpipe on the western side of the building had a hole in it. This deteriorated into a crack. Geoff Allen has now repaired the pipe and fitted new clips, total cost £48.12 p. Committee expressed its thanks to Geoff for his prompt and thorough attention to this problem.

Carpet in the Annexe

The Annexe carpet has been cleaned.

7. Any other business

a. Val Jevans mentioned a recent discussion with Tim on the possible opportunities that might arise for further hall rentals were we to hold a licence for marriages to be conducted in the Hall. TC will investigate and report to the next committee meeting.

TC

b. Tim advised that he had had the opportunity, on 2 November, to visit the Hall during the final preparations for the "secret party". He had been most impressed by the white tented lining in the Hall, and also the dramatic decorations which had been installed in preparation for the party. One point however which clashed with the overall effect: the curtains over the emergency exit doors. Val and Tim both felt that a plain dark neutral colour would be more effective, fitted with blackout lining and mounted on the face of the wall rather than in the doorways.

c. Dog walking: GA advised that SHDC still feel that dogs should be allowed on MVHPF grounds. GA explained that the grounds are the property of a charity, which is open to the public under the terms of the charity, but is not public land. The Parish Clerk has been in contact with SHDC on this matter, but no final conclusion has been reached, although SHDC state that they are unable to provide enforcement of the SHDC dog control rules if MVH wish to continue with their 'no dog' policy. Committee agreed that we shall have to continue to keep an eye on things.

9. Date of next meeting: Wednesday, 12th December 2018

The meeting closed at 20.50 hrs.