

Husthwaite Village Hall...Committee Meeting...Minutes of meeting held on 8th September 2014.

Present: Will Mowatt, (Chairman) Philip Hewitson, (Treasurer) Carol Fenwick, Jeremy Walker, John Ovenston, Stephen Barker, Debbie Lewis-Green, Lynn Colton. Mark Gambles attended to present the (Proposed) Youth Club information, Lawrie Hill attended as an observer re the village web site.

Apologies: Malcolm French, Gila Robinson, Zoe Lodge.

Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by SB and seconded by CF. All in agreement.

Matters arising:

WM has spoken to Rupert Smith at the Easingwold Advertiser re discount for Village Hall advertising.

Mr Smith suggested a 25/30% discount if we placed 12 ads over 12 months i.e. 12 ads for price of 9. WM to follow up and check price.

The Laptops for the hall are in hand and will appear soon.

ZL speaking to several hall users about allocation of nights when Ballroom Dancing and Gardening Club occurs.

SB to report at next meeting after researching possible Big Screen live attractions we could present ie Sports, Musical or National events of importance.

WM reported that the hall insurers have informed him that it is not a requirement to have the hall alarmed when vacated. In other words it does not affect the insurance cover. The proposed Youth group if it comes about will be covered by our current hall policy.

Mark Gambles then presented his report to the meeting concerning the proposed Youth group. (Full details to be attached) Main items to bear in mind are as follows; 1/ The Youth group has full support of the village hall trustees. 2/The club would be run on the same rules as the last club which operated in our old village hall. 3/ A sub committee under the authority of the main hall committee will run the club.

Items 5, 6, 7, 8, in the document to be discussed by PH and Mark and agree the way forward on behalf of the committee.

Mark stated that the next step would for him to speak to North Yorkshire Youth at Carlton Lodge and engage with potential club members. WM thanked Mark for his efforts and all present appreciated the time he has put aside given his commitments.

PH presented the financial accounts (See attached). Philip pointed out that we will not be receiving any more funds now from the Big lottery. From October the 1st 2014 the Orchards of Husthwaite along with the Parish council will fund the Husthwaite newsletter and no longer will the Village hall be financially involved. This follows an agreement reached between PH and Jan Coulthard the Newsletter editor.

CF and PH will speak to Jan Coulthard to agree the final Village Hall contribution to the newsletter.

PH said he will report to the next meeting about our position re Native Architects.

JO presented the Hall build snags list which is attached.

Succession Planning. (To be discussed at the next committee meeting)How do we attract new members?

There was a discussion regarding a programme of events. i.e. poss Childrens party at Halloween or Christmas?

LC and DLG spoke of the planning etc of the next Village Market this coming Sunday.

AOB: CB has just spoken to John Goddard who has kindly offered to give us a Microwave Oven. We all reluctantly decided turn down his offer because we already have one in the kitchen. CB will inform him.

SB will sell Christmas cards and notelets at hall events leading up to the festive season. He will also approach Towlers and some other outlets to push the sale of the cards depicting the village green.

Mrs Bessie Fox has pointed out to JO that there are two sycamore saplings growing behind the hall which could be a problem if not got rid of.

The date of the next meeting has been set for 6th October at 7pm in the Committee Room.

SB