

DOLTON & DOWLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No: 300816

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 8th JULY 2015

PRESENT: Mrs S Jury, Mrs J Haynes, Mrs F Hart, Mr M Lock (Caretaker), Mrs M Isaac, Mrs J Levett, Mrs M Blanshard, Mrs A Chivers, Ms E Siggers & Mr J Lock

- 1) APOLOGIES RECEIVED FROM: Ms R McCulloch, Mrs R Lock, Mr N Wood, Mrs W Holland, Mrs S Turner & Mrs S McCulloch

- 2) CARETAKER'S REPORT:
 - i) Mr Lock had had a request for a floor mat to go in front of the kitchen sinks. He'd found two mats – one that collects any water that drips for £125, or a barrier mat for £25. It was agreed that Martin should buy a barrier mat.
 - ii) The Scouts would like some space in the storage cupboard but unfortunately it is already full. The Secretary to check with the School to see if they still need storage space, and Mrs Haynes to check with the Pre School.

- 3) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the meeting held on 10th June have been circulated and were signed by Mrs Jury as a correct record.

- 4) MATTERS ARISING:
 - i) The James Ravillious picture has been hung in the Small Hall, but we may get it re-framed.
 - ii) Mrs Levett has bought 6 more tablecloths.
 - iii) Mrs Turner has researched the price of highchairs and will now organise their purchase.

- 5) TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer presented the monthly accounts for May and June.

- 6) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:
 - i) Letter from the Devon Air Ambulance Trust thanking us for the donation of £75 from the Bring & Share Lunch raffle.

ii) Letter from Gerard Fawcitt of North Devon Hospice thanking us for organising the Big Breakfast and enclosing some photos from the event.

7) ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

i) Mrs Haynes has been contacted by energy companies who know that our contract with British Gas expires at the end of the year. Although Mrs Haynes has found a cheaper price with Extra Energy, the customer reviews are appalling, and therefore the best price is British Gas at £813. Mr J Lock proposed, and Mrs Jury seconded, that Mrs Haynes renew the contract with British Gas.

ii) Mrs Haynes reported that our savings are currently earning 0.68% interest at Barclays, and she has been looking to see if we could earn more with a different bank. The best she has been able to find is with Secure Trust Bank where the interest rate on a 120 day notice account is currently 1.96%. It was agreed that Mrs Haynes should transfer some of our savings to this new account. Proposed by Mrs Levett, and seconded by Mrs Isaac.

Date of next meeting: 9 September 2015

Signed
Mrs S Jury, Chairperson

Date