

# DOLTON & DOWLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No: 300816

## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10 OCTOBER 2018

PRESENT: Mrs S Jury, Mrs W Holland, Mrs F Hart, Mr M Lock (Caretaker), Mrs J Levett, Mrs S Turner, Dr M Phillips, Mrs T Gobara, Mrs J Haynes, Mrs A Chivers & Mr E Levett (for agenda item 10 only)

- 1) APOLOGIES RECEIVED FROM: Mrs C Howitt, Mrs R Lock, Mr J Lock & Mrs S McCulloch
- 2) CARETAKER'S REPORT:
  - i) The roof leak has now been repaired, although it hasn't yet been tested by any heavy rainfall.
  - ii) Mr Lock has started receiving enquiries for 2019 bookings – so the Village Hall need to confirm any dates for events next year so that they can go in the diary. Dates yet to be agreed.
- 3) REFURBISHMENT OF TOILETS (Agenda item 10 was brought forward):

Mr Levett joined the meeting to advise that he'd received a revised quote from Jamie Parsons which now included a quote to lay new flooring. Mr Parsons has indicated that he could start at the end of January/beginning of February 2019, and that it would take in the region of one month to complete the work.

Mr Levett had also done some research on grants, and passed over information about Trusthouse Charitable Foundation.
- 4) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 12 September have been circulated and were signed by Mrs Jury as a correct record.
- 5) MATTERS ARISING: There were no matters arising.
- 6) TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer presented the monthly accounts for September.
- 7) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:
  - i) Mrs Haynes had received an application form to join the Devon Communities Together organisation, but at a cost of £50 it was decided that

we wouldn't gain any benefit from joining.

- 8) BIG BREAKFAST - 6 OCTOBER: 72 adults & 5 children had attended the Big Breakfast. Although the original plan had been to raise funds for the toilet refurbishment work, it had been decided to donate all the money to the ShelterBox Emergency Indonesia Appeal.
- 9) SUNDAY LUNCH - 11 NOVEMBER: The Hall will be available from 2 p.m. on Saturday to start preparing & setting up. 118 adult tickets and 10 children's tickets have been printed. Mrs Gobara offered to loan flags & bunting to decorate the Hall. Desserts required.
- 10) CHRISTMAS FAIR - 1 DECEMBER: Doors open from 12 - 3 p.m. Tables cost £6, and 19 out of a maximum of 25 have been booked so far. Dr Phillips suggested having a table for the purpose of fundraising for the toilet refurbishment. She offered to make some small stained glass ornaments to sell, and we could add other craft/knitted items. It was agreed that this was a good idea.

Dr Phillips also asked about ordering more banners to advertise the Fair. However, it was decided that it would be too expensive while we're trying to raise funds, and that this should be left for another year.

- 11) RIGHT OF WAY: Mrs Hart has requested a Word version of the draft Deed of Easement. The Parish Council's solicitors have confirmed that this will be possible, but they will finish dealing with the Parish Council's changes and amendments before passing to the Village Hall Committee for their comments.
- 12) THERE BUT NOT THERE: Some of the silhouettes will be used at the Sunday Lunch in the Village Hall.

13) ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

- i) Mrs Haynes reported that our current electricity contract with British Gas runs out at the end of the month. She has done some research and had a list of comparisons which showed that renewing with EDF would be slightly cheaper (by around £30), but it was agreed that it would be easier to stay with British Gas.

**Date of next meeting:** Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2018 @ 7.30 p.m.

Signed .....  
Mrs S Jury, Chairperson

Date

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