

DOLTON & DOWLAND VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Registered Charity No: 300816

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 13 MARCH 2019

PRESENT: Mrs S Jury, Mrs W Holland, Mrs J Haynes, Mr M Lock (Caretaker), Mrs A Chivers, Mrs S Turner, Mrs C Howitt, Mr N Woods, Mr E Levett & Mrs S McCulloch

- 1) APOLOGIES RECEIVED FROM: Mr J Lock, Mrs T Gobara, Dr M Phillips, Mrs J Levett, Mrs R Lock & Mrs F Hart
- 2) RIGHT OF WAY: Mr Woods had made some minor amendments to the draft agreement but on reflection felt that a practising solicitor should look at it (he has not practised for 7 years). He suggested the Committee contacted Emma Napper of Slee Blackwell. Although he did not know her, he had made enquiries about her. Her email address is emma.napper@sleeblackwell.co.uk

It was suggested that enquiries are made as to how much it is likely to cost. It was thought that the Parish Council would probably cover the cost.

- 3) CARETAKER'S REPORT:
 - i) A damp patch had reappeared on the ceiling in the main hall. Hodgsons had been informed and were due to look at it.
 - ii) The outside emergency lighting is still not working. The electrician has been informed and reminded but was taking his time to get it fixed.
- 4) REFURBISHMENT OF TOILETS: The planned water heater in the ladies has been changed to one that fits under the sink so that water heats up quicker. Light sensors would be placed in the toilets. Paint colour needs to be chosen so that it can be painted at the weekend. The floor in the ladies is being laid at the weekend. A cheque was required before the next stage of work could continue. It was agreed that if Mrs Jury was happy with the completed ladies next week, she could sign a cheque for the next stage. Unfortunately, as it takes 4/5 days for a cheque to clear, there could be a delay in ordering materials for the next stage.
- 5) MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 30 January have been circulated and were signed by Mrs Jury as a correct record.
- 6) MATTERS ARISING:
 - i) Mrs Howitt had investigated the possibility of holding a regular farmers' market in the Hall. This would be looked into further and see what Langtree

did, but there was doubt as to whether there were enough producers locally to support it.

- 7) TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer presented the monthly accounts for February.
- 8) CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:
 - i) An email had been received from the Lottery to say that the Village Hall's award had been made public. It was agreed to order a Perspex plaque to place on the wall in the foyer.
- 9) BIG BREAKFAST - 9 FEBRUARY: The Big Breakfast was very successful (97 adults & 6 children).
- 10) SPRING FAIR - 13 APRIL: 19.5 tables have been booked so far. Dr Phillips will do the publicity when she returns from her travels. Mrs Holland will do big plaques for Dolton Beacon and Chapple Cross.
- 11) BIG BREAKFAST - 11 MAY: We will be holding a Big Breakfast on 11 May for North Devon Hospice.
- 12) ANY OTHER BUSINESS:
 - i) The fire door in the main hall was very difficult to open. Mrs Jury would speak to Jamie Parsons and ask if he knew anyone who could fix or replace it.
 - ii) The taps in the kitchen were on the low side and it was very difficult to wash large pans in the sink. Mrs Jury would speak to the plumber working on the toilets to see what he suggests.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday, 10th April 2019 @ 7.30 p.m.

Signed
Mrs S Jury, Chairperson

Date