

DOLTON & DOWLAND VILLAGE HALL
Registered Charity No. 300816

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING OF 19 JULY 2010
AT 7.30 P.M.

1. **Present:** Mrs S.Jury, Chairman, Mr S.Briggs V/Chairman, Mrs J.Sidey, Secretary, Mr.G.Hutchings, Mr N.Wood, Adam Hughes, Mr R Dunn, Mrs S.Ashman, Mrs J.Neal, Mrs S Turner, Mrs S McCulloch, Mr J Thouless.
Apologies were received from Mrs K Herniman and Mr & Mrs Lock.
Mr John Thouless, a second representative for the PCC was welcomed and signed the register of Trustees.
2. **Approval of Minutes.** The Minutes of the meeting held on 21 June having been duly circulated were signed by the Chairman as a correct record on the proposal of Mr R Dunn seconded by Mr G Hutchings. Carried
3. **Treasurer's Report.** In the absence of the Treasurer copies of the monthly accounts were circulated showing a current account balance of £2933.59, savings account £3025.95 and Restoration fund £15356.72, with a cash balance of £67.02. It was noted that the soup fund of £685.04 would be used to pay the bill for the connecting of the water heater in the ladies toilet. The Friday coffee mornings had raised a further £150.67 and the cake stall £31.45, which is much appreciated.
4. **Matters arising from the Minutes.**
 - i) **Roof.** Revised quotations had been received from Michael Thorne Construction (£20,362 + VAT) and Chris Hodgson Engineering (£24,870). The third revised quotation from T.Durk is still awaited. Mr Hutchings will now press on with preparing grant applications to Awards for All and Devon Waste Management.
 - ii) **Inventory.** It had not been possible to obtain prices for hiring crockery etc. to date as in most instances these charges were included in caterers package prices for events.
5. **Fund Raising.**
 - a) The Annual Horticultural Society Show will take place on 14th August and Mrs Ashman reported that a 'ladies' team for the Cricket Match so far numbered 7 but that it was not a problem as the 'gentlemen's team would match the number of ladies who turned out on the day, and the men's team would be 'handicapped' in some way.
 - b) Fashion Show – Mrs Ashman is still working on this but is awaiting possible dates for the event.
 - c) Mrs Jury reported that John Folland has planned the sponsored walk on August Bank Holiday, which will start at Church Gate, and the route would be from there, through Ham and continue on through Chapple and down to the Torridge. 40 Posters are being prepared and assistance will be required from the Hall Committee regarding distribution and also to be available on the day to assist as required. A further Walk Committee meeting will be held this week to discuss draw prizes and other necessary arrangements. Mrs Herniman to be asked to check the Village Hall insurance and Mr Thouless to check the Church insurance cover for this event. Mrs McCulloch will assist with serving tea and coffee after the event.
 - d) The Big Breakfast planned for 18th September and details finalised at next meeting – it will be necessary to hold a meeting on 16th August. Will need to be well advertised with lots of posters.
6. **Any Other Business.**

The Chairman said that once again the Caretaker had been unavailable for a weekend without letting her know but had said that there was a small water leak in the ladies toilet. Plumber to check.

Adam Hughes – His family sponsored walk will begin next week and they have sponsorship for £900 to date.

Mr Dunn said that the plumber will attend on 20th July to deal with fitting the heater and sorting out the pipework to the boiler. The electrical wiring for the heater will be dealt with in the next few weeks as soon as he had time to do so. The Devon Village Hall's website entry for Dolton is now being dealt with by Mr Dunn but there are many questions still to be answered about facilities at the Village Hall. The Secretary will email a copy of the Inventory to Mr. Dunn to assist with this.

Mr Hutchings said that Mrs Hetty Sargeant had asked if the VHC wished to dispose of the white boards but after a short discussion it was decided that these are not for sale.

7. **Date of next meeting: Monday 16th August.** As the Secretary will not be available on that day Mrs Ashman was asked to take the Minutes.

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 8.40 p.m.

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