

OVING PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Oving Village Hall Trust Committee
Monday 26th April 2016 - Oving Village Hall

Present: Ambrose McGinn (Chairman) Linda Nicholls (Booking Clerk)
Barrie Mellars Sue Severn (Parish Clerk)
Diana Hilton-Jones

1 Apologies for absence

Mark Cheetham, Richard Devas, Jack Peeters, Mary Peeters

2 Approve the minutes of the last meeting on 15th February 2016

The chairman signed the minutes as a true record.

3 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda

None.

4 Progress reports

a) Events and fundraising – written report

- The Race Night was a great success, raising over £1,000.00. All those there thoroughly enjoyed themselves and thanks have been given to Roger and Susie Hawkins for all their hard work in organising it.
- The next event is the quiz on Saturday 14th May. The question master would be BM. Refreshments etc., still need to be organised. Tickets are still tickets available, committee members to try and sell some. As soon as the quiz information becomes available, BM would send out the village hall e-news. **Action All**
- The film nights have now finished for the summer but will restart in September. This 'season' it has brought in £540.00. The new equipment is fantastic and thanks must go to BM for organising that, falling off his ladder in the process, and also to him for organising and showing the films.
- The Queen's Birthday tea would be held on Sunday 12th June. There are some ideas for entertainment and a 'royal quiz' but if anyone else has ideas for activities then contact JP. Cake makers would be required. The event will be free but there will be a 'royal raffle' to hopefully raise some money. There is a ready-made bonfire at the bottom of the recreation ground that could be lit in the evening if the committee agree. **Action All**

b) Marketing and web site - BM

- Multi-media equipment - in trolley, keys with BM and JP. Laptop not provided, £50 hire charge. **Action LN**
- BM had updated the website and reduced the calendar page so that it can be seen on a single page. BM would be leaving the village during the summer and would hand over the website to SS. **Action BM/SS**
- Details of the audio visual equipment would be added.
- Rubber wiring protectors would be purchased by SS. **Action SS**

c) Bookings - LN

- LN reported that since the price increase for weddings, no wedding bookings had been taken.

d) Housekeeping – DHJ

- DHJ reported that there had not been any problems other than the state of the floor after a wedding and two children's parties over the weekend of 23rd April. The condition had been reported by the cleaner and it was agreed that she would be asked to clean the hall on a Monday morning after a similar weekend.
- More tea towels are required and nappy bags **Action DHJ**

e) Building maintenance and development

- The barrier padlock jammed again and had to be hacksawed off. As it had cost £51, SS would return it to Aylesbury Locksmith and try to find an alternative solution. JP would be looking into the disabled access at the Reading Room, and would be finishing the playground fencing. **Action JP/SS**

f) Fire and Safety

- A new sign would be made for the cooker reminding users not to leave anything on top of the cooker that might catch fire. **Action SS**

5 Charity Status and finance

- The freehold of the land where the hall stands is owned by OPC. This was confirmed by a Bucks County Council lawyer, however the Land Registry would not register the Lease as they consider it a conflict of interest. SS had contacted the BCC lawyer and requested that he look into the situation at BCC's expense.
- Broadband. Landowners across whose land the route of the broadband passes, would get free broadband. 40% of villagers had signed up for broadband. OVHT to register and switch from BT. **Action SS**
- The end of year accounts had been signed off and had to be submitted by October 2016. **Action SS**

6 Any other business

A resident close to the hall had complained about the car parking in Bowling Alley and the noise level at the hall late on Saturday 23rd April. It was agreed to advertise a pay and go telephone number for complaints, and to tell users to use the overflow car park behind the playground if there were too many cars for the car park.

7 Date of the next meetings:

Monday 26th September 2016 at 1930 hours in the Reading Room.

OPC Meeting, Tuesday 10th May 2016

OPC Annual Meeting, Thursday 12th May 2016

Signed: _____

Date: _____