

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 7th March 2005 at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT

Cllr P Child (Chair)
Cllr Mrs J Backus
Cllr Mrs E Harrison

Cllr Mrs J Bloodworth
Cllr T Tyler

Mrs K Paterson - Clerk to the Council
Mrs B Holland - Administrative Assistant

Others:

Cllr T Stirling
Mrs M Bruce

Retirement of Mrs Bruce:

Cllr Child presented Mrs Merle Bruce with flowers, a card and a cheque to celebrate her retirement from her post as caretaker for the village hall. Mrs Bruce was caretaker for over 15 years and was thanked for all her hard work and dedication and was wished well in her retirement.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr J Hutchinson

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs J Bloodworth - Personal and prejudicial – with regard to confidential item

3. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7TH FEBRUARY 2005

The minutes of the meeting were signed as a true and accurate record.

4. MATTERS ARISING

Confidential item.

Centre Screen: Cllr Stirling advised that he has lobbied B Cllrs R Shepherd and D Slater regarding the Centre Screen Project annual budget being at least matched or, preferably, increased. The County Council are also involved and he has lobbied C Cllr T Kershaw.

Regarding the next event on Wednesday 9th March 'Ladies in Lavender' Cllr Stirling and Cllr Mrs Bloodworth advised that 121 tickets had been sold, which would produce a gross income of £202.50. From this would come the cost of the hire of the film - £80.00 – and a small amount for publicity and printing (£15.00 approximately). This was a Quorn Parish Council event and therefore no charge for the hire of the hall.

The next events are 'Finding Nemo' on 30th April and 'Around the World in 80 Days' on 11th May.
Cllr Stirling and Cllr Mrs Bloodworth were thanked for all their hard work which had had such excellent results.

Double-glazing in village hall flat: Mrs Paterson has received a letter from the Planning Department confirming that planning permission is not required. Mrs Paterson advised that Mr N Townend is being contacted and it is hoped that the new windows will be installed in the current financial year.

Pest control: Mrs Paterson advised that a further visit from the pest controller would take place in the near future – action had been concentrated on the village hall flat where problems had been reported.

5. STRUCTURE

Balcony door: Mrs Paterson reported an incident of not being able to get back into the hall after accessing the balcony. The bolts on the doors dragged on the hall floor and it was not possible to push the doors open from the other side. It was agreed that the bolt on one of the doors should be permanently removed so that this could not happen again.

6. BOOKINGS

David Cawdell/Quorn Beer Festival: An e-mail had been received from Mr David Cawdell advising that he would no longer be running a Beer Festival in conjunction with CAMRA. A booking has been made by him for another event. Another source may wish to hold a Beer Festival, possibly at the Village Hall, but no enquiries had yet been received.

Easter bookings – keyholder arrangements. Mrs Holland is on leave during the holiday period and Cllr Mrs Bloodworth, Cllr Child and Mrs Paterson kindly agreed to cover the bookings during that time.

Centre Stage: Cllr Stirling spoke regarding Centre Stage, which consisted of professional acts and was administered by the Art Service. He distributed details of the programme from September 2005 to February 2006. Artists' charges varied. Allowances are made for expenses (hire of hall etc.) and any profits are then distributed between the body staging the event and the County Council. Once an act has been identified a bid is put in by the promoter and then the event is 'sold'. A new programme was due out shortly. Cllr Stirling volunteered to act as 'promoter' on behalf of the Parish Council and will feedback as soon as further information is received.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 11th April 2005 at 7.30 pm.

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