

**Corfe Village Hall meeting:**

**Wednesday 18th September 2019**

**1. Apologies** - Sue Ford and Sheila Andrews

**2. Minutes of last meeting** -

Minutes of the last meeting were agreed with nothing further being added. Items from them would be commented on in agenda.

**TREASURERS REPORT** - The hall currently has £1500 in the bank and £4725 in the savings account. Once the hall flooring restoration has been approved £1000+ will need to be deducted from this total. The treasurer reminded us that the flooring invoice will need to be sent to the Parish Council for payment and VAT to be reclaimed.

**FARMERS MARKET** - The next Farmers Market is scheduled to take place on Thursday 26th September. With the nights now drawing in it was suggested that an earlier start and finish might be in order on this occasion. The Chair. will approach the organizers of the market traders for suggestions it was also agreed to ask what future markets could occur in Corfe and if these should move inside the hall and how often could they run.

**VILLAGE HALL FLOORING** - The recent village hall floor restoration was discussed following feedback to the restorers following on from their works. The Committee had been disappointed that the contract had not been followed and a discussion took place on what was to happen next. The Chair. had received an email detailing what would be done to address our worries from the contractors and works would be commencing shortly. Once done an inspection would occur and payment made but not until we were fully satisfied that products used would be suitable and long lasting. It has been noted that the halls current table and chairs were now damaging the flooring and alternative furniture will be looked into as well as temporary repairs to existing furniture if possible.

**EXCESSIVE WATER USAGE** - Following an enormous water bill from Wessex Water in which twice as much water as usual had been consumed by the hall an experiment has been ongoing to discover the cause. The sub-meter was checked but the location of the stop cock proved to be very problematic. A plumber has now been tasked with relocating this stop cock for far easier access and notices for all hall users to locate it will be placed to assist should an emergency occur.

**VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS/OPENING/SHUTTING** - David Royle was asked about running a trial for hall users to encourage them to use the newly installed key box to assist with opening and

shutting of the hall making life easier for those that frequently open and shut up the hall after hall bookings. Future events were identified for this purpose and it was agreed that those using the hall for the first time would be looked after as is the usual fashion with manual assistance on hand prior to using the hall.

David Royle had previously requested that help be provided to assist with the opening and closing of the hall. A rota list that is currently being used will now be updated to include those willing to assist and keys will be forthcoming to these volunteers as well as an instruction sheet on what to do if given the task.

Further to this it was agreed that assistance with the booking of the hall to avoid any double bookings especially in regards to the web site will now be provided from volunteer help. This is currently being identified by the Chair. once agreed names will be added to assist hall users.

**S106 REMAINING FUNDS** - The Parish Council has requested ideas for using the S106 remaining funds which can only be used for new recreational facilities or equipment. A discussion took place in which new adult but especially child size picnic benches were suggested cabin type ones had been seen and commented on. This current proposal will be made to the Parish Council for consideration in due course. The Chair felt that no new equipment should be sited within the barked area as more than enough already existed so an area to the rear of the barked area was proposed.

#### **A.O.B**

**REPAIR CAFE PROPOSAL** - A proposal to have a Repair Cafe in Corfe similar to the one being run at Hemyock Repair Cafe was made. How this would be done sounded complex with the need for volunteer help to encourage repairers as well as clients to attend. The Chair will attend the next Hemyock Cafe to seek out information and to encourage a more experienced organiser user to come and talk to us to explain what may be required should Corfe begin one in the future a suggestion of a bi-monthly event was aired.

**Village Hall Quiz night Friday 4th October** - A General Knowledge quiz with all proceeds going to the Village Hall has been organised. Team names are currently being taken by Judith Richards. A maximum of 6 players per team is allowed please bring your own food and drink it is always a good night out and a very good social event to be at that appeals to all General Knowledge abilities.

**Date of next meeting** - This will take place on **Tuesday 12th November at Brookside. 7.00pm** start has been proposed.