

Stanton Lacy Village Hall Committee Meeting

On 24th March 2021 at 6.30pm

1. Attendance: Mervyn Jones (MJ) Phyllis Steventon (PS) Graham Spiers (GS) Dot Williams (DW) Steve Middleton (SM) Phil Jones (PJ) Phil Keene (PK)

2. Apologies: Jo Mclachlan, Barry Wilson.

3. Minutes of the last meeting on 1st December 2020: approved.

4. Matters arising: Lloyds paid. EDF sorted at last, bills will now come to the Village Hall. Paul Cowles has erected the shed and has been paid. The bus shelter is now in place. Fridge and freezer are in the hall awaiting installation.

5. We have had another covid grant of £2,000 that brings the total of grants to about £18,000. Accounts have a total balance of £44,000 before paying Paul Cowles £2,200. The balance is still very healthy to move forward with development.

Charity Commission has forwarded copies of document of the car park land transfer from Downton Hall to the Stanton Lacy Village Hall.

6. Advise from ACRE is not to open the hall until the 17th of May, people will want to feel safe in the hall. Agreed to start to open at the end of May with the community market on the 29th, a brunch to be available from 10 -12 and the bar will open from 12.

7. Forward programme will have Charity Skittles on 26th June, Summer Ball on 7th August, Chilli shack to come again as worked well last time with outside bar. Later in the year a Vegetable and flower show will be on 18th of September and on November 27th the postponed Murder mystery Italian job will be held. Euro's football suggested by PJ and all agreed good idea; they start 11th June open at 7pm for a 7.30 start MJ to organise. Consideration should be given to have bar night on a Friday and have some food to order eg : fish & chips.

8. Bar person needed to take control of the running of the bar checking stock and ordering what is needed. GS volunteered to be lead bar person, but a number of volunteers are required (MJ and PJ volunteered 1 night/month). MJ will contact Emma Gatehouse regarding changing the licence over to the committee. For big events it was proposed to get caterers in.

9. GS to contact gas fitter to connect up the cooker, might be a grant available. GS to fit fridge in kitchen, freezer to go in meeting room. MJ has paint for doors. Paul Cowles to make notice board to put bottom of the hill and one to go by bus shelter.

MJ met Alan Corfield who has a marquee business but it would be too costly (£7,000) to purchase and not suitable at the hall due the weather we get. Alan did suggest high quality pop up gazebos and it was decided that the hall should purchase one 3x6 £700 and two 3x3s £500 each plus guttering, weights and sides.

Paul Cowles donated the shed (apart from the cost of materials) thanking the community for the help when they had the house fire.

It was suggested we name the bar after Robin; MJ to speak to him.

10. Extension plan: we have £30,000 ourselves with a small grant we could do the extension of the Ladies toilets approx. cost £45,000. MJ will contact John Bryan to see if we can go forward with the plan. The 3years for planning consent is up this year, hope to extend the permission.

11. Any other business. GS more help needed with events.

AGM July 16th at 7pm

Date of next meeting May 4th at 6.30pm