

THORNHAM PARISH HALL TRUSTEES MEETING
Tuesday 1st October 2019 7.30pm

MINUTES

Present

Helen Belsey

Richard Jannaway

Sylvie Fawcett

Amanda Church

Jude Farrell

Eileen Chandler

Judy O'Keefe

1 Apologies

Joan Calkin

2 Election of Chair and Secretary for the meeting

Judy O'Keefe agreed to chair the meeting and Eileen Chandler agreed to take the Minutes

3 Minutes of the 25th June were passed as an accurate record with one amendment – the Jumble Sale on 21st September was cancelled

Matters Arising

- **Secretary hand over** – this has taken place and Richard is in possession of all the paperwork
- **Working party : gutter clearance and gravel spreading** – poorly attended, gravel still needs to be spread
- **Hedge maintenance** – **Richard is to get a quote** from a tree surgeon to sympathetically cut and shape the hedge alongside the field. Several Trustees said they had hedge cutters so a decision will be made how to proceed once we have the quote.

4 Treasurer's Report

The bank account balances as at 16th September are as follows -

Current account	£ 2,332.88
Virgin deposit account	£20,119.24
Petty cash	£ 143.58

Income 1 st January-31 st August	£3,922.48
Expenditure same period	£ 4,265.52*

*Please note that a number of "one-off" large invoices were paid during this period and also no films were shown due to the summer recess.

5 **Online Banking**

Richard still sorting

6 **Parish Hall Rota**

October	Jude	January	*
November	Amanda	February	Sylvie
December	Judy		

* **Richard to ask Clare Hall** if she would check the hall in January as she uses the hall frequently.

7 **Parish Hall Maintenance**

Richard has sorted the gent's toilet
Richard will sort the Ladies toilet overflow
Peter Tyler will sort out the broken curtain rail

8. **Refurbishment project**

Eileen outlined progress so far. Roger Balmer has put in a Planning Application for the agreed works and improvements, the fees for which - £462 - will be funded by our local Councillor, Rowland Warboys, out of his Locality Fund. The estimated timescale is 8 weeks. Roger is also seeking 3 quotes for the works. Both Planning and quotes will be required before making any grant applications. We were very pleased with the number of offers of help with the project but we are currently at a bit of a standstill, apart from keeping our eyes open for possible grant sources. As the previous Trustee meeting had been somewhat depleted in numbers when it had been agreed to contribute towards the refurbishments, a show of hands was taken and all were in favour.

9 **Fit Villages**

Response to Pilates class has not been overwhelming, possibly because of the unfortunate evening timing and lack of advertising. When the classes end, there will be a re-evaluation.

10 **Review of Events**

- Free open air film in August – very enjoyable and well attended, particularly as people had less than 24 hours notice.
- Films recommenced after the summer break with “Rocketman” on 27th September which was well attended (53)

11 **Future Fundraising Events**

Xmas Fayre - 9th November – preparations are underway and a meeting has been arranged for 15th October at 7.30pm in The Four Horseshoes to co-ordinate details. **Eileen to send out a flyer** to all villagers inviting them to the meeting and/or asking for help including donations of cakes, mince pies etc.

Film Nights -

25th October “Defrosting the Fridge” 1989 - another “vintage” film by our local director Sandy Johnson and starring Phyllis Logan

22nd November “Yesterday”

Jumble Sale - 18th January – details to be discussed at next Trustees Meeting.

12 **Any Other Business**

- It was felt the hall ought to have an on-line calendar showing the hall's availability for hire. **Jude to check with Palgrave Village Hall** how they do this.
- Sylvie mentioned the availability of a piano which should be an upgrade on the one currently in the hall. **Sylvie to investigate. Eileen to ask** on the note she is circulating if anyone can play the piano.

Date of next meeting Tuesday 7th January 7.30pm Thornham Parish Hall

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

