# Whimple Victory Hall

Minutes of the meeting of the Trustees held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2006

#### **Present**

John Discombe Chairman
Pam Scanlan Secretary
George Begent Treasurer

Fiona Randall Bookings Secretary
Arthur Iball Representative over 60's

Lis Roberts Representative WI

Alison Creasy Representative Whimple School

Vicky Clough Representative Pre-school and Toddlers

Sylvia Broom Representative WI

Ian Hardcastle Representative History Society

David Rastall Representative PCC
Bob Scanlan Elected Member
John Williams Elected Member

## 1. Apologies: Arthur Iball.

Trustees were shown a video outlining their responsibilities. JD and RJS gave an explanation of the work needed to complete a new constitution in line with the recommendations of the Charity Commission.

## 2. Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2006 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman. This was proposed by John Williams and seconded by George Begent..

## 3. Matters arising:

- 3.1.1 Cleaning of hall: This matter has now resolved. Irene Carter will do the extra cleaning for the time being. The cost will be met by DCC.
- 3.1.2 Soup and sarnie 24<sup>th</sup> June: We took £117, but as expenses were high this time, the profit was £58.79. The next one on 22<sup>nd</sup> July will require several helpers as we are providing lunches for 50 French visitors
- 3.1.3 Pricing Sub-cttee: The minutes had been circulated. Concern was expressed at the proposed decrease in the discount in addition to the price increase. It was pointed out that costs have risen by 20% in the last year and the increase in rent alone will not cover this.
- 3.1.4 Village day: Arthur has had several requests for tables. Sausage and bacon baps will be served from the Jays.

# 3.2 Further matters arising:

- Blackmore's visit: The electrical inspection has been completed. We need one new circuit breaker. We now await the certificate and the invoice.
- Water heater: This has been fixed with a new thermostat.
- Boundary fence: Now complete at a total cost of £164. We will now plant a hedge of escollonia.
- New path: Completed and looking very good. Thanks to the pre-school Dads who laid it.
- New tables: These have yet to be purchased.

#### 4. Maintenance:

- John Williams has applied "round-up" to the ivy, and has removed some ivy from the rear of the building.
- The rowan tree near the oil tank needs to be removed. Brian Carter will be asked to do this when he
  removes the tree near the shed.

## 5. Correspondence:

• The organisers of the dog club have sent a letter of apology about the way the hall was left, and have paid the extra £10 cleaning charge.

### 6. Treasurer's Report:

Current account balance	£ 455.69
Deposit account balance	£9633.27
Uncleared cheques (debits)	£ 600.00
Uncleared cheques (credits)	£ 288.86

Sales invoices up to June £11314.12

- The invoices for June have still to be sent.
- The buildings and maintenance account has been opened, but we are still awaiting details of the interest to be paid on this account.

# 7. Booking Secretary's report:

- The hall is busier than ever. We have regular yoga classes, and another band have enquired about practice nights.
- A further TEN has been issued for a party in October. No more can be agreed this year as we are reserving two for December. We already have two enquiries for next year. It was agreed that we should issue about one per calendar month.
- It was agreed that FR should also go to the proposed meeting with EDDC

# 8. Any Other Business:

- a) A new gatepost is needed for the small gate leading into the garden.
- b) The school have asked to use the hall on Thursday afternoons in exchange for a morning. This was not agreed, as this would require the contract to be negotiated. The school can hire the hall in the same way as any other user. If they book for the term they will be eligible for the discount. Occasional bookings will be charged at the full rate.

## 9. Date of next meeting: 4th September 2006

The meeting closed @ 9.15 pm.