Whimple Victory Hall

Minutes of the meeting of the Trustees held on 19th February 2007.

Present

John Discombe Chairman Pam Scanlan Secretary

Alison Creasy Representative Whimple School

Vicky Clough Representative Pre-school and Toddlers

Lis Roberts Representative WI

Ian Hardcastle Representative History Society

David Rastall
Danny Bratt
Representative PCC
Representative VPA
Ross Cottey
Representative YFC
Sylvia Broom
Bob Scanlan
Teresa Daniels
Representative YPC
Representative YFC
Elected member
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1. Apologies:

Apologies were received from, Fiona Randall, George Begent, Arthur Iball, John Williams.

2. Minutes of previous meeting:

The minutes of the meeting held on 8th January 2007 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters arising:

- 3.1.1 Soup and sarnie 20th Jan: Again very successful. Thanks to all helpers. Profit about £80.
- 3.1.2 School shed: A further meeting has been held with the school, re the siting of the shed etc. The Head teacher is to investigate the alternative solution of siting a new shed n the playground and building a new set of wider steps up to the hall at the side doors. No financial assistance available from the Hall.
- 3.1.3 Use of Industrial cleaners: Still being investigated.
- 3.1.4 Working party: Sat. 31st March @ 10.00am

3.2 Further matters arising:

• The face microphone is successful and the WI will be sent an invoice.(also to include cost of table purchased for them.)

Redecoration of the hall: Two quotes received. £4750, and £2655. It was agreed that both are too expensive so we will have to consider doing it ourselves. Secretary to contact CVS re volunteers.

4. Maintenance:

Nothing new to report. Still problems with the leak in the billiard room that is dependent on the rain and the wind. The roof is also leaking.

5. Correspondence:

JD had prices for a new heated cupboard for the kitchen, (£470 and £800) it was decided to check the old one and discuss the subject at the next meeting.

6. Treasurer's Report:

Current account balance	£	341.83
Deposit account balance	£13	3710.31
Sales invoices up to Jan 2007	£ 8	3776.39

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7. Booking Secretary's report:

Fiona had told JD that bookings were broadly unchanged.

8. Grants subcommittee – future development of the Hall.

The treasurer had set up a subcommittee to consider which projects should be put forward for grant applications. The subcommittee felt that this required an overall plan for the future development of the hall so priorities could be established avoiding possible conflict between the various proposals.

A detailed and comprehensive presentation was given by RJS on the problems of the existing hall and options for its future development. These were:

- Seek funding for a new hall on a new site (estimated cost £400,000 £1,000,000)
- Seek funding to replace the existing hall with a new one on the same site at a similar cost.
- Developing a series of projects to improve the existing hall in the context of a suggested design.
- Do nothing for the time being.

The trustees decided to keep an open mind on the possibility of moving to another site if a joint approach with another organisation such as the church were to arise.

In the meantime three specific projects were prioritised.

- Re-arrange and refurbish the entrance and toilets to improve access to the committee room and kitchen.
- Alterations to the billiard room toilets and blocking off the redundant high-level window
- The provision of extra external storage.

It was also accepted that a review of the uses of the various rooms should be carried out.

9. Any Other Business:

- Heating: Recent problems with the heating have highlighted the need for a new programmer. It was agreed that a new one should be purchased at a cost of £30.
- JD gave details of training days to be run by the Community Council for Devon. It was agreed we should book two places for each of them. Details of attendees to be decided later.
- The Soup and Sarnie day on 17th February had been the busiest yet. The profit was £153.64. **The next one will be held on 17th March**.
- Village Week: JD had attended the PTFA meeting. The morning session in the square will be run as usual by the Hall. The afternoon fete will be held at the Parish field or at Hindstrete. It was suggested we might hold a soup and sarnie that day instead of later in the month.
- The preschool wish to replace their shed. JD to do a site visit.
- It was agreed the cigarette end bins should be left outside the entrances permanently. JD to arrange.

10. Date of next meeting: 2nd April 2007.

The meeting closed @ 9.56pm.