

Whimble Victory Hall

Minutes of the meeting of the Trustees held on 7th October 2013

Present

Maria Wallis	(MW)	Chair (Whimble School)
John Discombe	(JD)	Vice chair
Pam Scanlan	(PLS)	Secretary
David Myers	(DM)	Treasurer
Alison Tierney	(AT)	Bookings Secretary
David Rastall	(DR)	PCC
Cathie Cottey	(CC)	Parish Council
Paul Wilson	(PW)	VPA
Rachel Owen	(RO)	WI
Ed Hitchcock	(EH)	Whimbletons
Laura Baker	(LB)	Preschool
Arthur Iball	(AI)	Over 60s
Tamara Snell	(TS)	Elected member
Colin Down	(CD)	Elected member
Bob Scanlan	(RJS)	Elected member
Margaret Bucknell	(MB)	Elected member

The Chair welcomed TS and CD as new elected members.

PLS suggested that RO become the representative for Carpet bowls and PLS should represent the WI. This would bring the balance between reps. and elected members more in line with the Constitution. This was agreed by all.

The YFC have a meeting soon and will let us have details of their new rep.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from, George Begent and Dennis Calver.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

- 2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 15th July 2013 were agreed as correct and signed by the Chair. This was proposed by RJS and seconded by DR.

3. Matters arising:

- 3.1 Soup 'n sarnie on 26th Oct will be run by MW and AT. November 30th will be run by DM and Delia.
- 3.2 Soup 'n sarnie summer special was very poorly attended. The one held on 28th September raised £78.99p. This works out at approx 50p an hour. If we are to continue then something needs to change. The takings are down 2% and there has been a steady decline over the last 4 years. Meanwhile the cost of food has risen. It was agreed that we will continue until December and then think about the future. Members were asked to submit any ideas to MW.
- 3.3 A meeting of the strategic planning group will be held in the Autumn.
- 3.4 The new booking form is almost complete. The new terms and conditions are being sent to all users.
- 3.5 The rubbish problem appears to have been resolved.

Other matters:

- a) The preschool wish to resurface the outside play area, where the raised beds are, with Astroturf. This was agreed. They also want to erect a wooden playhouse back against the fence. This was agreed, subject to LB checking if planning permission is needed.
- b) DM will find out auditors' costs.
- c) Sue has cleaned the hall and it was agreed that she should be paid £150.

4. Correspondence:

No correspondence received since the last meeting.

5. Treasurer's report:

No report received as the Treasurer has had family health problems.

6. Booking Secretary's Report:

- The bookings continue to do well.
- Bookings are now being taken for next year.
- On several occasions the tables have not been cleaned after use. RJS will put signs on the tables asking people to remember to wipe them after using them. Details of the cleaning expectation will also be on the new booking form.
- The Christmas special lunch will now be held on 21st Dec. The film club will meet on 14th Dec. They will again be showing a free film for the children in the afternoon and, as previously, they will not be charged for this session. JD wanted it minuted that he did not agree that anyone had the hall for free.

7. Maintenance Report:

Most outstanding jobs have been completed, and all small maintenance items have been dealt with.

A radiator has come off the wall, and RJS has not managed to replace it. He has called on Jason O'Dell to fix it as he is anxious that anything else he does might disturb the under floor plumbing. He also thinks it might be necessary to drain down the system. Jason will come within the next two days.

CW agreed to take over the maintenance of the hall.

The meeting finished at 8.35pm

The next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Monday 18th November 2013.