



Minutes from meeting held – Monday 20th May 2019, 7:30pm

Attendees: Andrew Clark
Paula Fleming
Alison Janeway
Julie Devine
Karen Lamb
Katy Miller
Michael Muir
Sarah Sinclair
Francesca Stuart

Apologies: Molly Jardine
Francesca Stuart

MM opened the meeting, welcoming all. Apologies read out by PF.

Eastgate Theatre Fundraiser – Saturday 8th June 2019

Singing workshop for High School aged children (see copy of poster attached). Poster advertised throughout village and surrounding areas. Eastgate will promote event in Peebles area. Workshop will be 09:45-11:45am. Lunch and live performance 12 noon to 2:15pm. KM has tickets for sale. All proceeds to Hall funds.

SVH to provide lunch of soup and filled rolls, followed by tea & coffee with traybakes.

Soup volunteers will be – Mushroom/SS, Cauliflower/MM, and Leek & Potato/PF.

Filled rolls – Isobel Hunter.

Traybakes – SVH committee members.

Servers needed – volunteers are: KM, MM, PF, KL, AJ, JD and Isobel Hunter.

Setup will be on the evening of Friday 7th June – volunteers are: AC, KL, KM, Isobel and Bob Hunter.

All please sell tickets where possible.

Treasurer Update

Reserves @ £7k we are in a comfortable position currently. Recent leak (took out circuit breakers), SS is awaiting invoice for this.

Yoga is back on at the hall from April but Poetry classes have stopped.

MM has a contact to run a Spinning class.

SS and KM attended the Peeblesshire Federation of Village and Community Halls AGM and notified the SVH committee members of the changes afoot re how the grants for halls are awarded. For FY19/20 all halls will be awarded, as previously, funds for halls' insurance policies. Going forward into the next financial year village halls will have to bid for funds/grants from the newly set up Community Fund. Village halls objected to this format at the AGM and will meet further to agree objections to be put to the Scottish Border Council, arguing that halls are not projects but a building to maintain for the community. Halls will likely be asked questions such as why are you not using your funds in reserve? Attached is a list of the halls covered by the Peeblesshire Federation of Halls.

Maintenance

With the recent water ingress which effected the storage area, all electrics have checked and 2 breakers replaced and slates replaced. Not sure what caused the leak? Could have been a number of things was the opinion of the committee in attendance:

Slipped slates

Guttering at back – downpipe s-bend blocked

Guttering above the storage roof lower than the guttering either side, not allowing water to run away

Joint between storage roof and rear wall of main hall

Recent weather conditions – heavy rainfall

Water tables raising leaving soakaways and vegetation effected

It was felt maybe larger guttering might be needed more industrial size/material. SS will contact Small & Hamilton to quote for replacement guttering, once costs are in maybe see if we can apply for grant for upgrade.

SS reported GB Electricals installed 2 new heaters in main hall and 1 heater in the hallway and moved one heater into small hall from main hall.

Renovations

Jack Sinclair has 3 quotes for insulation and decoration of large hall, awaiting quotes for electrical works. SS has approached Gavin @ Clyde Borders Wind Farm, from whom a grant was obtained for the roof, to see if we can apply for a further grant from the windfarm, which he acknowledged. Glenkerie Wind Farm can also be approached for the electrical works. To be discussed with applications to the Wind Farms at the next hall meeting. Both Wind Farm panels meet in September.

Health and Safety checklist

Asbestos Report in 2009 which identified a couple of areas with higher asbestos, which was removed. 2019 further report on walls in main hall found low risk asbestos, which stated that as long as the proposed works do not disturb the material in anyway, there is no risk to contractors. Contractors will be made aware and asked to sign to this affect. We can now complete the Health and Safety report for the hall and return to SBC.

Events / Fundraisers

27th July Cycle Race - association to use hall for refreshments and comfort break.

28th July Annie Thompson open garden afternoon with cream teas in the village hall, provided by hall with part of garden entrance fee to Hall funds.

Volunteers needed from SVH Committee members for:

Setup on Saturday 27th (after cycle race through village).

Food and Servers on the day of Sunday 28th July.

7th September Annual Craft Fair/Sunflower Competition (PF to share rota from 2018 with JD).

Date of Next Meeting

Next meeting will be week commencing 24th June, PF will circulate an email asking committee members what day suits best and we will go with the majority.

Diary dates will be updated as and when they are confirmed on the village website – hall page:

www.skirlingvillage.co.uk/news/