

**Minutes of the Wilstone Village Hall AGM
held on 16 May 2018 at 8.00pm at St Cross Church, Wilstone.**

Present: Mr P Cogger , Miss D Crapnell, Cllr P Lovis, Mrs I McCall, Mr C Reedman, Mrs S Reedman, Mr R Smissen, Mrs M Buchi, Mr P Buchi (minutes).

18/01 Minutes of the AGM held on 10 May 2017

Those present agreed the Minutes of the AGM held on 10 May 2017.

18/02 Chairman's Report (Mr R Smissen)

Events

I begin with a brief resume of the past year events.

At the end of June, the usual Wilstone Fete and Dog Show was replaced with an alternative and joint - Open Village event. This opened up the heart of the village (by closing the road) and gave greater inclusion of the Open Gardens, Allotments, Village Shop, and Half Moon. The risk of hosting such an event was underwritten by the Village Hall and any surplus funds were divided between local groups and charities. The financial report will illustrate the costs involved and recovery to a cost neutral position.

The film night season started again in October running through to April with the monthly events and following the established and popular format. Once again a varied number of films that managed to appeal to all. Unfortunately, it was with great sadness that our projectionist of 12 years, Richard Field, passed away. His funeral was attended by Peter Walker and the WV Hall made a donation to charity of £100. We are still looking for a suitable and alternative solution to keep this event going. However, with consistent attendance, a competitive price, and help from friends of the village, we are confident things will continue.

Barn Dance – Organised by John and Amanda of Chapel Fields, and thanks to them for a £115 donation to the hall.

April - After a long break, we also manage to get "Elvis" to make another resurrection!

Finance

The finances are in good order and funds continue to be received from hiring and other events.

Regular bookings that bring in a stable income to pay the overheads and many thanks to Tony the Bookings Secretary for managing this area and coordinating such things.

There are still sufficient funds to maintain and improve the Village Hall and hopefully with sufficient reserve funds in case of any unforeseen circumstance.

Maintenance and up keep

This year, as with many other years the hall has needed some maintenance or repair. All this takes effort and dedication and I would like to thank all those concerned who have given their time and effort over the last year. I would like to make specific reference to Colin for always being in attendance and supporting the hall whenever the need arises. Also to Bella for regularly cleaning the hall.

This year we have manage to avoid spending significant amounts of money and have recovered from making improvements to the Ladies, Unisex, and Disabled toilets as well as the store and electrics.

With a donation from TRPC we were able to locate the defibrillator outside the Village Hall and increase its access to all.

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We haven't always held a Committee meeting every month (due to other commitments) but we have managed (just) to keep things going. But we can say steady progress has been made when comparing the beginning with the end of the year.

It remains for me to thank each and every person of the Committee. Special thanks must extend to Neil for being Treasurer and Jude for being Secretary. Colin for doing his magic at the hall, and Tony for managing the bookings. Jill and Diana for bringing events and activities together (such as the Open Village and Film Night). I also have to say a big thankyou to Peter Walker who is extremely active and supportive of the Committee but is not a member.

*The report was **accepted** and the Chairman thanked by the meeting for all his hard work.*

18/03 Treasurer's Report

The unaudited accounts prepared by the Treasurer, Neil Williams, were circulated to all present. In summary:

It was a satisfactory year financially, especially considering that there was no revenue from a village fete. The 'Open Village' event in June 2017 was neutral to the accounts.

For this year's day-to-day operations:

- hiring income increased to £13,186;
- energy costs had increased significantly;
- only £1,200 was spent on new equipment and refurbishment compared to £25,809 for the major works in 2017;
- there was a surplus of £4,763 over the year;
- total assets at 31 March 2018 were £28,686.

The unaudited accounts were **accepted** by the meeting.

18/04 Election of Committee Members

The following committee members were elected following resolutions.

Representative members (3 places):

Colin Reedman (Church)
Sheila Reedman (Church)
Cllr. Paul Lovis (Tring Rural Parish Council)

Elected members (5 places):

Tony Short
Richard Smissen
Neil Williams
Diana Crapnell
1 vacancy

Co-opted members (2 places):

None.

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Special members (unlimited):

Mr Chris Cobb
Mr Phil Cogger
Mr Peter Kemp
Mrs Irene McCall
Mr Marcus Postings
Mrs Jill Walker

18/05 Signing of declaration

All Committee Members present at the meeting signed the annual declaration.

18/06 Resolution to pay the rent

Proposed by Diana Crapnell, Seconded by Phil Cogger. Carried unanimously.

The rent of £1 was paid to Tring Rural Parish Council via Cllr Lovis.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.