

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF EARDISLAND VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE (EVHMC) Registered Charity 1108366
October 17th 2018 7pm Village Hall

Present: Caroline Marsden (CM) Chair, Jo South (JS) Carole Millin(CMN)Secretary. Diane Lee (DL) (Minutes) Chris Watson (CW) Ronnie Steed (RS) Martin Thomas (MT).

Member of the public; Alan Pryce

1 Apologies: Maryann Hanson (MH). (Parish Council Representative). Susie Curtis (SC)

2 Minutes of the 2017 AGM agreed by at present.

3 Chair's Annual Report

Eardisland Village Hall Management Committee – Summary of activities August 2017 – October 2018

Fundraising and renovations.

The renovations of the toilet block were completed in November, with the overspend from grant monies obtained being met by the Parish Council.

With the assistance of a grant from the Prince of Wales' Benevolent Fund blackout blinds and curtains have been fitted to the main hall.

The main hall was decorated by volunteers over two weekends and alternative storage found for some of the furniture to make the space more user friendly.

A key safe has been installed.

Information from the parish consultation days held earlier in the year was collated by Carole Millin and Tony Phillips. This is now being used as the basis of discussion by the Parish Council initiated Feasibility Study looking at possible ways forward for the Hall. Meanwhile the Committee continues to monitor the short-term accessibility and maintenance of the Hall.

Fund raising events: 4 events were held which have contributed to Hall funds: the Duck Races in August 2017 and 2018, The Snail Racing Evening and a Soup and Puds event.

Committee Membership.

Tony Phillips, Steph Griffiths, Edwin Thompson and Bob Aldred have resigned as trustees and committee members. Susie Curtis, Martin Thomas and Ronnie Steed have joined as new trustees and committee members. David Wallis joined briefly but resigned due to ill health. The Committee continues to actively seek new members.

Three sub-groups were formed reporting to the committee – Buildings and Maintenance (currently suspended while the Feasibility Study is ongoing); Social, and Fundraising.

Administration

Caroline Marsden has taken over as Bookings Coordinator from Tony Phillips. The Governing Body document has been updated to reflect community needs. An equipment loan form has been introduced to ensure that items belonging to or stored in the hall for community use can be traced and their condition monitored. Measures are being taken to ensure that we conform to current Data Protection Legislation.

Use of the Hall

The Hall is used every weekday morning (barring some holiday periods) by commercial

hirers. Evening and afternoon use is mainly by community groups and the Parish Council. The facilities could be promoted to encourage more use in the afternoons, evenings and weekends. With this in mind short term improvements to the kitchen facilities are still being looked at.

Other Activities

At the request of its Organising Committee the Village Show is in the process of being formally absorbed into Village Hall activities.

A 'Crafty Socialites' group was started over the winter and suspended for the summer months as attendance fell. It is hoped to restart it later this year.

A very successful disco evening was held on New Year's Eve 2017.

A new Water Boiler for the kitchen was purchased with monies donated by Eardisland in Bloom.

Utilities

At the end of our previous fixed term contracts with energy suppliers Chris Watson and Ronnie Steed obtained new quotes and new contracts have been signed. There is a significant rise in energy costs which will have to be taken into consideration over the coming months.

1. Electricity costs have risen by 30% from our previous 2 year fixed contract with Scottish Power. This will be for the duration of our new 2 years 9 months contract with EDF which started on 1st September 2018.

2. Gas costs are rising 1.6% from our previous 2 year fix with N Power, again covering 2 years and 9 months with EDF as from 1st September.

Finances.

The latest statement from Santander (to 1/10/18) shows a credit balance of £5,666.00.

The Building Society account stands at £4, 698.72. At the end of the accounting period February 2017 – January 2018 the overall balance was £11,562.00

Caroline Marsden

Chair, Eardisland Village Hall Management Committee

16 October 2018

4 Financial Report

Year-end figures prepared by George Alderson for the period 1st February 2017 to 1st January 2018 were presented to the Committee. (Copy attached)

The Committee wish to thank George for his on-going support in compiling these figures

5 Election of Committee members.

The current Committee Officers stood down; Caroline Marsden (CM) Chair, Carole Millin(CMN) Secretary.

Chair Carole Millin was proposed and seconded by Chris Watson.

Secretary post not filled at this meeting. CM and CMN to discuss

Treasurer Wendy Cross was proposed and seconded by Caroline Marsden. (Wendy not present at meeting but had agreed).

Vice Chair Martin Thomas was proposed and seconded by Jo South.

6 Any other business.

Alan Pryce agreed to become a new Trustee all present thanked Alan and welcomed him to the Committee.

Caroline Marsden has agreed to remain as Booking Officer for time being
Diane Lee to remain as minute taker administration/filing member without voting rights.

All Committee members thanked Caroline for her support and hard work as Chair over the last year.
The AGM closed at 7.35pm

The new Committee Officers convened and continued with the Village Hall Management Committee
ordinary meeting 7.40pm