

SHERFIELD-ON-LODDON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Held on Monday 14th October 2019 at 8.00 pm in the Liddell Hall at the Village Hall

Present: Alan Ball, Bruce Batting, Ivan Gosden, Natalie Larner, Nick Robinson, Ian Sellars & Gilly Woodland

In attendance: Eleanor Burt & Leo Mulkerns

Apologies for absence had been received from Bruce Jones.

1. Planning Application

Leo Mulkerns attended the meeting to discuss the submission of the planning application for the extension following the successful application for LIF funding. It was noted that the application submitted will be for the whole project although construction will be carried out in two phases. The planning application will therefore provide "detail" for Phase 1 (kitchen, store and bar works) and request "consideration" for Phase 2 (remaining works including connecting atrium).

It was agreed that Ivan Gosden will discuss with Adrian Burt the possibilities for relocating the boiler either in the store room or roof space.

It was noted the planning application will be submitted mid November and that the Bat Survey Stage 1 will be carried out as soon as possible.

**Action: Ivan Gosden to discuss boiler relocation with Adrian Burt
Bat Survey Stage 1 to be carried out asap
Planning application to be submitted mid November**

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th August will be considered and approved at the November meeting.

Action: Minutes of August meeting to be approved at November meeting

3. Duckwood Marketing Report

Gilly Woodland gave the following report:

"Local Infrastructure Fund (LIF)

Awarded £107,000. Agreements to be signed by Ivan and Alan. The architect will go ahead with new drawings to apply for planning permission and a bat survey.

Defra/ACRE Village Hall Improvement Grant Scheme

We have been approved to move to stage 2 of the application process. Working with Kevin Sawers at Action Hampshire on this. Kevin has to submit the application on our behalf.

Postcode Community Trust Feedback

I applied to the wrong part of the Postcode Lottery, so I will apply to a different part of the Postcode Trust in October.

Four Lanes Trust

Bob met with Alan on 3 October to view the VH and discuss our funding requirements. Possibly apply for funds in March 2020.

In progress:

Veolia

LEADER Rural Funding - new funds made available.

Website

893 people visited the website, an decrease of 11% on last month.

69% new visitors to the website, and 31% repeat visitors, better than last month.

Most popular pages: Home, Activities, Book Here, Sunday Market, Facilities & Booking, Weddings, Contact, News & Events, Yoga”

4. Updates

(a) Community Buildings Group

On 8th October Sherfield Village Hall hosted a meeting of the community buildings group where common problems were shared and discussed. Of interest was “Ticket Source” which is a system for selling tickets for events.

(b) Four Lanes Trust

It was agreed that consideration would be given to submitting an application to the Four Lanes Trust for a grant for a replacement boiler.

Action: consideration to be given to submitting an application to the Four Lanes Trust for a replacement boiler

(c) Fish & Chip Pop Up

It was noted that the Fish & Chip Shop on Tuesdays has been discontinued. An enquiry has been received for a weekly curry evening but following discussion it was agreed not to allow any new projects until the proposed alterations have been completed.

(d) Beer Festival

It was noted that profit from the Beer Festival would be approximately £4,000 but the cost of the marquee of about £300 is still to be paid. A meeting will be called to discuss the distribution of the profits.

(e) Last Night of the Proms

The evening was very successful with a profit of approximately £400.

(f) Sunday Market

The October Sunday market was very successful, busy and positive with profit of approximately £200.

(g) Planning Application for Change of Use of Cricket Pavilion

The planning application for change of use of the cricket pavilion was discussed and trustees agreed to object individually on grounds of parking on the green, loss of amenity to local residents and lack of facilities for the change of use at the pavilion.

(h) Maintenance Log

It was noted that the Caretaker has completed a maintenance log for the Hall – items needing attention were discussed and responsibility taken for carrying out necessary actions.

(i) Fete Update

It was noted that the Treasurer needs the funds from the fete transferred into the Metro account so the Village Hall year end accounts can be finalised. It was noted that the cancellation insurance claim has not yet been settled.

5. Finance

Ivan Gosden reported that Wendy Gosden is carrying out the year end tasks (year end was September) but a new Treasurer will be required to take over in February/March 2020. It was agreed to put a note on the BVA site.

Action: **A note to be put on the BVA site regarding requirement for Treasurer**

6. Remembrance Sunday 10th November

It was agreed that the Village Hall will provide refreshments after the Remembrance Sunday service in the Main Hall. The silent soldier will be put up at the beginning of November and it was agreed to pay £17 for a wreath from the Village Hall.

Action: **Silent soldier to be put up at the beginning of November
Village Hall to pay £17 for wreath for Remembrance Sunday**

7. Parish Council Representatives on Management Committee

It was agreed to write to the Parish Council pointing out that the Parish Council does not have a right to appoint representatives onto the Management Committee.

Action: **Letter to be sent to Parish Council stating that the PC does not have a right to appoint representatives onto the Village Hall Management Committee**

8. Loddon Valley Link

It was agreed that the following items be included in the Loddon Link – planning application, Remembrance Sunday refreshments at the Village Hall, Village Market and reports on the Beer Festival and Last Night of the Proms.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 11th November and will be the Open Meeting.

It was agreed to put the plans for the extensions on display at the Open Meeting.

Action: **Extension plans to be displayed at the Open Meeting on 11th November**

Actions: **Ivan Gosden to discuss boiler relocation with Adrian Burt
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Minutes of August meeting to be approved at November meeting
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