

The Tiddy Hall

Ascott-under-Wychwood, Oxon

*Founded and given to the village by
R. Tiddy, Esq., in 1912*

ADMINISTERED BY LOCAL TRUSTEES

Minutes of Tiddy Hall Committee Meeting

27 February 2023 19:00
Tiddy Hall

1. Present
 - a. John Bugeja (JB), Jacquie Bugeja (JacB), Simon Gidman (SG), Pauline Plant (PP), Mark Pidgeon (MP), Kevin Bishop (KB)
2. Apologies
 - a. Howard Morris (HM), Ingrid Ridley (IR)
3. Conflicts
 - a. PP and MP are both regular users of Tiddy Hall
4. Minutes of previous meeting
 - a. Agreed
 - b. Signed
5. Matters arising
 - a. JB to contact Brian Leach regarding possible collaboration with Coronation event (on agenda)
 - b. HM to contact Mr Greatbatch regarding water feed to 51 Shipton Road.
Action: HM to discuss issue when he next sees Mr Greatbatch
 - c. SG to liaise with Sally regarding dishwasher salt. Completed.
 - d. HM to buy and fit safe key. Completed (code 2350)
 - e. SG to speak to Bob Chilcott regarding possible music event in early October. SG has left messages. **Action: SG to follow up**
6. Coronation event:
 - a. Parish Council were planning on holding the event on the playing fields on Saturday 6 May after the scheduled broadcast of the coronation on TV. A cricket match would be in progress at the same time so the event would take place on the football pitches (some distance away from the pavilion). JB and John Cull advised against this and it was agreed that the event would be better on Sunday 7 May.
 - b. JB agreed that Tiddy Hall Committee would share their collective experience of organising such an event, given the success of the Platinum Jubilee event last year. Brian Leach and John Cull will reach out for guidance as required.
NB: Tiddy Hall is not organising the event but individual committee members

may wish to volunteer to help with organisation.

- c. Current thinking is that there will be some activities for children (e.g. crown-making) and a cake competition. Attendees will be able to bring their own picnics but food will also be provided. A BBQ is one option (if NC is keen to do the cooking!) of a food van may be arranged.
 - d. A raffle will also be arranged. JB advised Brian that the Jubilee event only covered its costs due to the generosity of raffle prize donors (The Swan, Farm Ed, Oxford Wildlife Park the Folk Club and others).
 - e. JB agreed that Tiddy Hall will run a bar. We will provide the stock and bar staff and will retain all profits generated from bar sales. **Action: JB to advise Brian Leach accordingly**
 - f. The Church will run a tea/coffee bar on a similar basis.
 - g. MP agreed to provide background music and PA. **Action: JB to advise Brian Leach accordingly**
 - h. SG agreed to MC the event if required.
7. Booking & Marketing Report (MP)
- a. Church Council – 3 bookings (quiz night, barn dance and meeting)
 - b. Children’s birthday party
 - c. Badminton
8. Treasurer’s report (HM)
- a. Email shared in advance of meeting.
 - b. Significant increase in energy costs noted. As we are on a fixed tariff and usage of the heating etc has not materially changed, the increase needs to be investigated. **Action: JB to liaise with HM and involve other committee members as appropriate to ensure we have a good understanding of our energy usage/costs.** Key questions/issues include:
 - i. Do we pay a fixed amount per month based on estimated annual usage or is each monthly bill based on actual usage?
 - ii. Are bills based on meter readings or are they estimated?
 - iii. Can we get a smart meter so we can monitor usage in real-time?
 - iv. If not can we read the meter ourselves on a monthly basis and monitor manually?
 - v. Do we get paper bills or is there an online portal?
 - vi. Who gets the bills/has access to the portal?
 - vii. Can we review the bills for the last 6 months?
9. Car park update (MP)
- a. Gates still not being shut.
 - b. Many vehicle owners are ignoring the request to make contact regarding a parking permit.
 - c. Pedestrian gate to be fitted so vehicle gate can be locked. **Action: MP to arrange fitting of pedestrian gate.**
10. New lighting system update (MP)
- a. Waiting for remainder of materials before work can commence.
 - b. Will take two days to install.
 - c. Likely to start in 1 to 2 weeks.
 - d. Will be 90% cheaper to run once installed.

11. Folk Night and other event Bar Duties

- a. 4 March 2023 - KB & JacB
- b. 8 April 2023 - SG & NC
- c. 22 April 2023 - KB & IR
- d. 6 May 2023 - JB & JacB
- e. 3 June 2023 - SG & ??
- f. 24 June 2023 (Ascott Martyrs) – IR & BR (start at 7pm)
- g. 2 September 2023
- h. 7 October 2023 - SG & NC
- i. 25 November 2023
- j. 16 December 2023

12. AOB


- a. PP has asked Chipping Norton for a quote for refitting the doors. **Action: PP to follow up.**
- b. All committee members need to be vigilant regarding the risk of rainwater flooding into the hall via the ill-fitting doors.

13. Summary of Actions:

- a. HM to discuss issue re water supply when he next sees Mr Greatbatch.
- b. SG to follow up with Bob Chilcott regarding a music event.
- c. JB to liaise with HM and involve other committee members as appropriate to ensure we have a good understanding of our energy usage/costs.
- d. MP to arrange fitting of pedestrian gate.
- e. PP to follow up with Chipping Norton Glass regarding a quote for refitting the doors.
- f. JB to advise Brian Leach that Tiddy Hall will run the bar and MP will provide background music/PA for the Coronation event.

14. Date of next meeting

- a. 27 March at 7pm


27/3/2023