

LEONARD STANLEY VILLAGE HALL reg charity 284371

MINUTES of Village Hall Management Committee meeting held on Tuesday 18th October from 7.30pm.

APOLOGIES Trustees Bobble Ireland, Phil Herbert

PRESENT Chairman Richard Hubble (T) Jan Bogdiukiewicz (T) David Pearson (T) John Webb (T & Toddlers) Roy Wilkes (Dozulé Twining) Byron Fry Chairman LS S Club, Manager Penny Scott & Jane Roberts Secretary.

MATTERS ARISING

We learned that KSVH had a Bouncy Castle in their hall recently despite warnings at the meeting of the Village & Community Halls' Network held here on 27th September. The whole idea had been for a consensus amongst halls to work together (boycotting BCs) and jointly pressing insurance companies to offer low-cost one-off insurances to hirers. Obviously some halls are prepared to risk being uninsured maintain business. LSVH wants this problem solved so we do not have to ban them to protect ourselves. Penny was asked to contact insurers via GRCC to hurry up a solution so she could then talk to various Hall Trustees.

Chairman has not had time to study the LSVH founding document (now also in digital form) which needs updating. He hopes to do so in time.

ROLLOVER TO FUTURE MTG

NO CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. NO TREASURER'S REPORT to hand. When one is available we will pass it around.

MANAGER'S REPORT is covered as below and will be appended to the Minute Book. *See Tables below.*

TOILET HEATING PANELS INSTALLATION is due to be done very soon and the electricity will be turned off. The Social Club's alarm will work during this time with its own battery.

METAL GATEPOST Byron contacted Brian McNab who will try to straighten it. If it works we will put reflective strips on it to make it more visible. These can be obtained locally at Halfords.

KITCHEN RADIATOR looks very rusty/unsightly and needs rubbing down and coating to prevent further damage. Chairman offered to deal with this himself as soon as it can be arranged.

BOUNCY CASTLE BOOKING CONDITIONS AMENDMENT NEEDED Penny flagged this up for action so hirers are fully aware of LSVH's requirements and do not repeatedly contact her for clarifications. When agreed this can then be displayed prominently, attention drawn to it and put on website. For clarity here: Bouncy castles & other inflatables are now no longer permitted in the hall due to public safety & liability issues.

WARM HUB This had apparently been mentioned at the recent LSPC meeting as an idea that might be possible at the VH. Discussed here at length but rejected as unfeasible even though there is government money to support it. Main barriers: lack of suitable time slots (hall needs to be as fully booked as possible to bring in income to maintain the building & pay bills) and need to have hall supervised during such sessions.

FREEZERS OF LOVE Penny did considerable work on it + a list of volunteers to help organise and run it. An initiative of The Long Table, headed by Tom Herbert, which operates out of Brimscombe. It was abandoned due to covid. The Long Table has now changed the way it works and although they would come out and talk to us (and although there is a PC grant available), freezers are no longer available and meals would probably have to be produced here. Claire of Cookstars might be able to help but her time is limited (as are hall slots) and there is food preparation safety and insurance issues to deal with. NO FURTHER ACTION AT THIS TIME.

EXTERIOR KITCHEN DOOR/FIRE ESCAPE found open recently. It is often opened when kitchen is used. There has been a problem with the outside locking mechanism which will be properly fixed now although it does still lock. We should put a notice on the door inside to get users to check it locks securely before they leave.

CLEANING REGIEME Nicky is in daily after hirings and checks that all is well. She then reports to Penny.

RAISED ELECTRICAL SOCKET One damaged/looks like it was kicked. Jan offered to deal with it

CLUTTER IN BACK CORRIDOR Weekly Friday dancers leave a piles of clothes & bags all over the floor blocking access to the toilets. A photo supplied by BF clearly illustrated the problem. This is unnecessary as they could use the kitchen or toilets or the hall itself. Penny was asked to contact the hirers to sort this out.

[Omitted from comment at the meeting: there are still complaints about some table legs which do not lock in place properly. Manager has been instructed to replace the faulty ones with new tables asap.]

SOCIAL CLUB AGM is to be held on Friday 4th November from 7.15pm. Club usage varies during the week with more coming in for matches or the games. They rely on volunteers so are not planning anything special for the World Cup. They use FB to publicise themselves and Penny repeated her offer to help by reposting.

SC have not had an opportunity to discuss the letter sent after the Trustees' Meeting held in Social Club on 13th September. The current Licence will continue unchanged for another year (in force until 31st October 2023) as neither party has given the required Notice to the other. Several changes were proposed by both parties at the meeting which can be discussed with SC in due course.

BF reported a damp problem under parquet floor in their entrance. The underlay is rotting in a fairly small area by inner door where there is frequent footfall and tiles are lifting. No DPC. It would have to be taken up and sealed with Thoroseal and left for a time before relaying. They are closed Mondays but it would take a day to dry out so would be somewhat inconvenient. Chairman asked whether they knew any local bodies who could do this work as it would be good to pay local people. Byron would ask his sons if they could do it. Whether it needs completely removing/sealing/relaying remains to be discovered.

FUNDRAISING REPORT A meeting was held on 11th October; proposed Halloween event on 28th was cancelled as there are several others nearby on Saturday. It would be friendly to support them & hopefully vice versa. To date we've raised **£5349** & Parish Council donated **£1326** with possibly more to come in due course. In addition Sale Trail raised **£275** & Five Valleys Dog Training School event raised **£350** with customer promise of £1500 anticipated. Gamble Funeral Directors will also support us with a fun event at some stage.

NEXT FUNDRAISING EVENT IS SATURDAY 10TH DECEMBER. 11am - 4pm A CHRISTMAS FAYRE. 8 Tables already booked. SRG Catering attending with their famous Chocolate Brownies. Santa is also coming. A prize for the child's best fancy dress, A children only room to be created with partitions so they can secretly buy & wrap prezzies for parents. **(Soaps & little items/wrapping etc needed)**. Refreshments, including mulled wine will be served. **Xmas jumpers to be worn by helpers.** There will be a games table, Bottle Tombola & Lucky Dip. **(Bottles & little prizes needed)**. The Buy a Roof Tile will be there again. Chairman has produced a sample poster and half sized flyers will be produced. **But everyone should try and promote it from now on please however you can. Hall needs to be decorated on Friday 9th between 12 noon and 3pm.** All help greatly appreciated.

There will be a meeting on November 15th to finalize things.

- Ken Krick is donating a hand-made box for us to use as a DONATIONS BOX!
- Chairman will look into setting up a "Go fund me" type means of attracting donations.
- Secretary to thank LSPC for their donation ref above. They also let us have a key to the Notice Board.

FUTURE EVENTS	FEBRUARY	QUIZ NIGHT <u>Saturday 4th February.</u> 4pm onwards for helpers.
		RESCHEDULED DATE
IN 2023	APRIL	BAND NIGHT in conjunction with Social Club. Date etc TBC to interest and attract younger people.
	JUNE	A STANLEYS' DAY June 25 th 2023 in collaboration with KS Playgroup, Boho Bakery etc etc.

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