

Bobbing Village Hall

Sheppey Way, Bobbing, Sittingbourne, Kent ME9 8PL

Charity No. 302686

Annual Report 2019

I wish I could start this report with some good news about bookings but once again we have lost a band that practiced on a Monday evening (they have disbanded) and Weight Watchers closed as not enough members were using their services. It was stressed that the hall suited their needs but other pressures were the deciding factor. I haven't yet filled these regular slots. Thursday evenings are now filled with a yoga class who is building their numbers. While the money will be missed it seems many halls have seen a decline in bookings which was reported to me via Weekend bookings are again rather sporadic but children's birthday parties are still hiring the hall. We are still operating under the Temporary Events Notices, as we don't need more than the 12 per year allowance.

The committee are hoping that additional money may be found in order to start on the much-needed extra restroom facilities. Talks with the proposed builders are hopefully being undertaken to see if anything can be

I am pleased to report that once again the hall will not be paying rates and thank Swale Borough Council for realising that this could cause an unrealistic price increase if allowed to happen so we are grateful for their support of the local communities.

Once again very many thanks to the parish council for their continued support with this parish asset. I very much believe it is invaluable in serving both the local community and the wider one.

Sue Crawford
Secretary 4th May 2019