

Onibury Village Hall Committee Meeting Minutes
5th July 2022

1. Attendance

Tony Mantle, Vicky Mantle, Marion Jones, Adrian Wyatt (Parish Council), Peggy Jones, Caroline Bywater, Michael Powell, Lydia Jones
Tony welcomed Rachael Bollom as a new Committee Member

2. Apologies

Vicky Reynolds, Tony Davies

3. Authorisation of minutes of meeting of 17th May 2022

Signed as a true copy.

4. Matters Arising

Audit of Books – Vicky reported that Samuel Wood Estate Agent had viewed the Village Hall & car park on 20th May 2022 the subsequent valuation was £120-140,000 without Planning Permission and £320,000 with. For Rachael's benefit Vicky explained that the Financial Auditor had suggested a valuation be obtained and there is no intention to sell the property.

External Notice Boards – Vicky had received a response from the Parish Council – there was no easy solution to the problem with the Noticeboards being too hard to insert drawing pins. Adrian said he had examined the board and felt the only option might be a cork backing, but this would not be weatherproof. Matter closed.

Financial Transactions – Tony explained that following discussion with Michael, as Treasurer, a decision had been made to move away from cash handling. Those booking the VH would be asked to pay by BACS with cheques as an exception.

5. Treasurers Report

Michael reported current balances as: -

Business Account 1 Redacted

Community Account 2 Redacted

There are no outstanding matters.

6. Jubilee Celebration

Tony outlined the changes that were necessary to the recent event, but with a very positive outcome. He thanked all those involved and said that the Jubilee Committee would be making a presentation to various organisations on 14th July at 17.30. The VH committee would be funding a small buffet with tea and coffee. All members welcome to attend.

7. Maintenance Issues

Floor Covering, kitchen, entrance hall and bar – at Marion's suggestion a quote had been obtained to replace the floor coverings as above. The quote was £830 – Tony asked for views – Michael questioned whether there were any plans to incorporate the bar into the Hall, as it is still in use as a temporary bar and storeroom, it was still needed. Approved unanimously.

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Leaking Tap in Kitchen – Marion had contacted a plumber.

Tarmac at Entrance to Car Park – Marion asked that this be reported to the appropriate authority. **ACTION:** Tony M

Hedges around Car Park – The overgrown hedges were now obscuring the lights and encroaching on to the car park, and needed to be pruned. Tony reiterated the recent responses received when Planning was applied for. Adrian felt sure that these limitations would not include reasonable cutting back. **ACTION:** Tony M to speak to Oli Francis.

8. Fundraising

All usual bookings continue. Little Lambs had not made a decision about returning in September, but all hoped that they would.

9. AOB

Bar Provision – Tony reported that obtaining bar providers was proving to be a problem, and a booking for 16th July for an 18th birthday party had been awarded to the Apple Tree.

Hire Charges – In light of increased energy prices, Tony suggested that the hourly hire rate of £9 be increased. A suggested figure of £10 per hour was proposed and all agreed. Michael suggested that after the winter period this be reviewed again.

The Friday and Saturday evening charge for 18.00 to 23.59 booking would increase to £70. Both to be implemented from 1st August 2022. **ACTION:** Tony to inform existing long-term hirers.

Village Hall Frontage – Vicky said she had read on the PC Minutes the cost of the recent works, and asked whether this included regular maintenance, i.e., Weeding as weeds were a mess. **ACTION:** Adrian to raise at P. Council.

Jubilee Afternoon Tea – Caroline wished to thank all of those involved in providing the afternoon tea, which had been enjoyed by all.

Next Meeting – Tuesday 4th October 2022 19.00 hours in the Hall.

Planned Meetings

1st November 2022