

## Reading Room Funding Request.

The Reading Room committee are asking for £2,000 from the village fund to keep our funds healthy after we have had the thatch roof replaced and in anticipation of other works which we will have to attend to very soon. The nature of the fabric the Reading Room means it will often require attention, but the room has improved as a building in recent years with the damp proofing of the walls and most recently the new flooring and a safer entrance with the moving of the front door.

Our funds at the moment are: -

£8,000 savings account

£15,032.62 current a/c.

Within the current account is the money for the thatch made up from £4250 recently received grant, £4250 matched to grant, plus £2500 contingency = £11,000. Leaving £4032.62.

Expenses

1. £8,500.00 for thatch. (To be done in January) But we think it could end up being substantially more as the thatch has recently deteriorated so much that water is now coming into the hall and loo area. £2500 contingency has been allocated but this is likely to be an underestimate.
2. Probable new tin or tile roof for the lobby area (Estimated £1,500), and investigations regarding leaks.

Expenditure on the following will be needed very soon. Prices are not known yet.

- Roadside cob wall will need attention.
- Re decorating the interior.
- Looking into Loop system, microphone and therefore repairs to rear speakers as requested.

Total annual costs are £1040.

(Village hall association £50.00

Insurance £359

Fire extinguisher certificate £31

Water £100

Electricity £500)

Our annual income is comprised of

£500 precept money (if the village vote for this)

The committee's fundraising efforts (Christmas bazaar approx. £300 and sometimes fete)

We are starting to get a small income again after covid from new pilates and yoga sessions, and some talks. Amounts unknown at the moment.