

DOWN ST MARY VILLAGE HALL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 2022

- Present:** Alan Clarke, Tessa Pluck, Audrey Cook and Nigel Fidock.
- Apologies:** Denise Appleyard and Anthony Martin
- Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 20th June, 2022 were shared, read and agreed.
- Matters Arising:** Tessa still pursuing Conservation Officer but the old one has left and they are in the process of appointing another.
- Chairman's Report:** Alan has responded to the Valuation Office Agency. Alan has also been pursuing the request from ACRE re further grants for improvements but it is proving difficult obtaining answers. The forming of a Youth Club is still of interest to the residents with children in the Village but who is going to organise it has yet to be decided.
- Treasurer's Report:** Nigel supplied an up to date Treasurers Report for the period up from the 21st June, 2022 to the 4th September, 2022. Tessa gave Nigel £45 from the Pilates group and £20 from the hire of the Hall on the 29th August, 2022. Utility bills to South West Water and EDF were paid. Also £20 was paid for checking smoke alarms and replacing batteries.
- Future Plans:** It was decided that the Village Hall Committee are to organise a Skittle Social evening on Friday, 28th October, 2022 starting at 7.30 p.m. Tessa to ascertain how much pies are at Cox's and it was proposed to have Steak Pies, Chicken Pies and Quiche, the numbers would be ascertained when tickets are sold. Tessa to check Denise is available. Audrey suggested Pizzas but the cost would be £10 per head so the Committee decided that would be too expensive. Dave Cooper to produce fliers and posters. Nigel to put event in the Church magazine and also in the Zeal Monachorum news.
- It was also decided that the Village Hall Committee would organise the usual Christmas Social Evening on Saturday, 10th December, 2022, format to follow previous years. It is hoped that Father Christmas will be able to come for the children.

Any Other Business:

Tessa raised the subject of the Tea Urn which is broken. John Appleyard has investigated new ones and has found a 10L Catering Hot Water Tea Urn for a price of £54.99 and it has excellent reviews. The Committee agreed to purchase this Tea Urn.

Tessa mentioned that Dave Cooper has found a review for Down St. Mary Village Hall on the internet. The Hall was hired for a children's party and the hirers were from Cheltenham and used our Village Hall as it was central for the guests. It gave us 5 stars and a lovely write up. Tessa thanked the hirer for her excellent review.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 3rd October, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.

