

DOWN ST MARY VILLAGE HALL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 23rd MAY, 2022

- Present:** Alan Clarke, Anthony Martin, Tessa Pluck, Denise Appleyard, and Nigel Fidock.
- Apologies:** Audrey Cook
- Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 9th May, 2022 were shared, read and agreed.
- Matters Arising:** Tessa and Denise have touched up the paint where the heaters were once positioned. Roger Thomas took down the coat hooks underneath the heater and repositioned them in the foyer. Andrea has fitted the smoke alarm sensor and is going to obtain batteries for the other smoke alarms as they should be replaced annually. Alan suggested we put a sticker on each one with a date once they have been changed. Tessa reported that the Polish gentleman who was going to do the damp work has been called up by the Polish army due to the war.
- Chairman's Report:** None.
- Treasurer's Report:** Nigel supplied an up to date Treasurers Report for the period up from the 8th May, 2022 to the 23rd May, 2022. Tessa gave Nigel £10 from the Pilates group. Nigel reported that each cheque costs 40p to bank and 40p for clearance. Luckily, we do not have many cheques to bank. ~~Tessa gave Nigel £10 from the Pilates rental.~~
- Jubilee Event:** Denise and Tessa reported that at the moment there are in excess of 70 people coming to the Bring & Share event. Tessa has organised judges for the Scarecrow competition and it was decided to award 1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes. Alan is going to provide a laminated certificate for 1st, 2nd & 3rd. Tessa's grand daughter, Amber, has organised music to be played at the event. It was suggested to have a colouring corner for the children. Nigel to look at pens etc. and Tessa is to look on internet for free downloads of colouring sheets. Amber to organise this activity on the day. We are going to put up our pop ups up and Alan to bring his to the Village Hall. Tessa asked Alan to ask the Parish Council if the Green could be cut prior to the Jubilee celebrations as it has got long again. We will use the microphone for announcing. Decorations being put up on Thursday, 2nd June at 2.p.m. and set up on Sunday 5th at 9 a.m.

Broadband:

After considerable discussion, the Village Hall has decided that they do not want to share the cost of the Broadband rental with the Parish Council. It was felt that at this time there were no other potential users forthcoming and, at the present time, it would be of no advantage to the Village Hall. Should, in the future, circumstances change with other organisations wanting to rent the Village Hall with Broadband, then the Village Hall committee would re-consider and review the situation.

Any Other Business: Nigel has obtained an alternative quote for the Insurance of the Village Hall from Access Insurance who insure lots of other Village Halls. The quote looks favourable but it was decided to wait for our current insurers to give a price for this years' insurance. Last years' premium was £649.00 and at the moment Access look around a £100 cheaper. A decision will be made at the next meeting.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 20th June, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.