

DOWN ST MARY VILLAGE HALL
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON
MONDAY, 9TH MAY, 2022

- Present:** Alan Clarke, Anthony Martin, Tessa Pluck, Denise Appleyard, Audrey Cook and Nigel Fidock.
- Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on the 25th April, 2022 were shared, read and agreed.
- Matters Arising:** Tessa to contact Andrea re fitting of the sensor for the smoke alarm and to check whether the smoke alarms are electric or battery.
- Chairman's Report:** Alan was disappointed that no members of the public attended the Village Hall AGM. He hoped that in the future more people would come forward and join the Village Hall Committee.
- Treasurer's Report:** Nigel supplied an up to date Treasurers Report for the period up from the 25th April, 2022 to the 8th May, 2022. The main expenditure was for the new wall heaters and sensor for the smoke alarm. Tessa gave Nigel £10 from the Pilate rental.
- Jubilee Event:** Denise and Tessa to check numbers for the event and report back at the next meeting. Alan informed the Committee that the Parish Council want to present the mugs to the children at the Village Hall event on the 5th June, 2022.
- Future Events:** To be discussed at a later date.
- Hall Improvements:** Sensor for smoke alarm to be fitted.
- Any Other Business:** Nigel is obtaining two quotes for the insurance of the Village Hall and will report back at the next meeting.

An email was received after this meeting from the Parish Council concerning the supply of broadband to the Village Hall. Currently, Airband are offering a broadband service without a telephone line in this area. The current offer is an 18 month offer with free installation with a monthly rental of £20 per month to £55 per month depending on the speed required. The Parish Council is willing to contribute half of the cost as they would be one of the main users.

This matter to be discussed at the next Village Hall meeting on the 23rd May, 2022.

The Village Green has been cut for a second time as the first time, only walkways were cut as it appeared the Parish Council wanted it left as a wild area for bees and insects. After a lot of complaints from the Villagers, the whole area was cut leaving a wild area where the new trees have been planted. The top area of the Green will now be able to be used by the Village for Community events and it will enable children to play safely.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 23rd May, 2022 at 7.30 p.m.