

Minutes of a meeting of the Briantspuddle Village Hall Committee held on

6th April 2022 in Briantspuddle Jubilee Room

Present: Members of the Committee: Stuart Chorley (Chairman), Allan Smith, Anne Colquhoun, Fiona Hogger, Sally King, Cindy Read, Roger Smith, Tamsyn Tankard-Evans, David Neudegg,

1. Apologies for absence – Angela Tozer. Also Lesley Wilcox (Minutes Secretary) - the minutes were taken by Anne Colquhoun

Stuart opened the meeting and welcomed a new trustee, David Neudegg, who has recently moved to the village and is the Parish Council representative. Stuart apologised that the March trustees meeting had been cancelled due to a large number of trustees being unable to attend

2. Notice of conflicts of interest – none reported.

3. GDPR – all present were happy for their names to be published on the Community website.

4. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of 2nd February 2022 - the minutes were signed after correction of the spelling of ceilidh (item 6), and confirmation that the Trust rules allowed for 5 elected members (item 10b). Item 10a – Stuart confirmed that Anne had organised meetings with trustees who had previously expressed “no confidence” (meeting with Allan had taken place, Angela Tozer declined to meet)

5. Treasurer’s Report

Allan had already circulated the accounts and confirmed that they are away with the auditors. He pointed out that he hasn’t factored in the various rises in oil, electricity prices, etc., and it was felt that in the light of these, the hiring costs should be reviewed by September, and added to the August agenda of the trustees meeting. The forecast that he has prepared assumes the 100 Club will happen this year, and this item should be added to the May agenda of the trustees meeting. Allan had received an estimate of £65,000 from the thatcher at today’s value. The thatch may need to be replaced in approximately fifteen years’ time and at the present time there is £36,000 reserved for it. Allan proposed, seconded by Stuart, to raise the reserve target to £65000 for provision of the thatch. Reserves have to be justified under the Charity Commission Act. Allan also circulated a quote from Max Baggley for £900 (labour and materials) for external decoration of the “new bit” of the village hall. It was felt this was a reasonable quotation. Max is not VAT registered.

Action: Lesley

6. Booking Secretary’s Report

The booking secretary was not present at the meeting, but the booking schedule has been circulated by Allan who pointed out that some of the regular hirers had not put in their booking forms for after Easter

Action: Angela

7. Hall Floor

Peter Talbot (Briantspuddle Social Club) is dealing with this matter and a letter from him was circulated to the trustees on 3rd March 2022. It was felt that TFS Dorset Ltd, who did the work on the hall floor, have made a reasonable offer of sanding it down and re-sealing it, and that the County Court, who are involved, would see it as such. It would be best if this work was done in August, when

there are not many activities in the hall

8. Jubilee Events

Allan reported that a group of people had met to discuss arrangements for the Platinum Jubilee. It was proposed:

Thursday 2nd June – evening BBQ at Throop

Friday 3rd June – supper/ceilidh – Social Club

Saturday 4th June – afternoon 1950's garden party at Cruck Cottage (with Buckingham Palace celebrations being streamed)

Sunday 5th June – 3pm open air service and picnic in the Peace garden at Affpuddle church

Stuart had received considerable support for a street party on the Saturday afternoon. This would require the road to be closed. Six weeks' notice is needed for the closure, and the name of an organisation must be given. Stuart therefore sought the trustee's agreement (if required) to use the BVH as the name – further details of this would be sent round via email.

9. Date of AGM, election of trustees and co-option at AGM

The AGM will take place on Wednesday 25th May at 7pm in Briantspuddle Village Hall. Anne will notify the relevant organisations and give them six weeks' notice, and ask them to respond with their nominations for trustee representatives not less than two weeks before. Cindy Read confirmed that the community group had declined to have a representative on the BVH committee, and she would therefore represent the Village Shop.

10 Correspondence – all items have been covered

11 AOB - none

12 Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 4th May 2022

Anne Colquhoun

Acting Minutes Secretary