# Chetnole Village Hall

# **Management Committee**

# **Annual General Meeting**

# Monday 11th October 2021 at 7 pm

Chetnole Village Hall.

## Present from the committee

Gwen Adair ( chairman )
John Head ( treasurer )
Jim Aldhouse
Ian Lingwood
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David Russell ( secretary )

## Apolagies.

None from the Committee. Ruth Sandford from the Village.

The meeting was attended by 16 members of the public..

Barbara Wallace. Andrew and Michelle Wellstead. Mary Head. Ruth Rose. Geoff Shipp. Mal and Mary Prodger. Ian and Janet Wood. Sally Lingwood. Stan Darley. Ellen Clarke. George and Liz Green. Rachel Rudd.

# Minutes from the previous meeting.

There were no issues from the previous minutes, (Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2019). Gwen Adair explained that the Charity Commission had been consulted concerning the effects of the Covid Pandemic and they were aware and in agreement to the rescheduling of the Hall AGM.

Matters arising from the previous Minutes.

There were no matters Arising.

## Chairman's Report

The report from The Chairman is attached as appendix One.

Treasurer's Report and accounts for the year ending 31st of December 2020.

The Accounts are attached at Appendix two.

The Treasurer reported, financial matters are healthy. Our running costs are between three and four thousand pounds each year, and during the Covid period we had been lucky to receive gifts and bequests that broadly covered the costs.

Revenues from Hire of the Hall and Committee created events, had been Zero. The audited accounts report had been distributed and questions were invited from the floor.

From a question, – Electricity Charges are coming toward the end of a fixed 3 year tariff and will soon need renegotiation.

Hire Charges were questioned. Some thought them too low. Other Village halls, Leigh for example are higher. Increased Charges for refreshments supplied at coffee mornings was given as an example of increased costs at work.

Chetnole V.H. are under the Auspices of the Charity Commission. We seek to provide a local service to the village and whilst needing to ensure sustainability, the Committee would not actively seek to make profit. The current accounts profile suggests enough positive balance to ensure into the future. Hire rates which have remained static for some time will however be kept under review.

The Committee was asked, had we applied for "Government Grants" during the Covid period? We had not, reasoning that our positive bank balances would have excluded gifts. Loans were not needed, and after all, any Grant would have been taxpayer money.

A final point, our Treasurer has been in post for a number of years and would like to pass this office to another. Please would anybody with the appropriate skills come forward?

# Election of the Management Committee.

The meeting was asked for a Proposer and a Seconder to elect the existing management committee again and to elect for the first time two new members - Barbara Wallace and Andrew Wellstead.

Ian Wood proposed and Janet Wood seconded. The Committee was duly Elected.

# Ideas for the future

The point was made that a major element of the hall success was due to the events staged by the Committee. "Artsreach " "Jazz Club " "Curry Lunches " being good examples.

The Committee would like to attract more Customers to Hire the Hall. It was agreed that limitations are hall size, facilities, and local competition. Discussion took place about what events could increase Hall usage in the future.

All ideas will be debated by Committee at a forthcoming Management meeting Ideas.

Karaoke. Bingo. Toddler Preschool. Wine Club Venue. Hall hire to Guides or Scouts. Music evenings with themes (e.g. My kind of Music), Craft events.

Jumble Sales, Fashion evenings. Winter Wonderland. Moviola

# Any other Business.

The Chairman was asked if Committee Members are trustees.

The Chair is looking into this matter.

The next A.G.M. will be held in May 2022 to bring matters back to the Schedule.

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

#### Chairman's report Chetnole Village Hall AGM 2021

Thank you all for coming this evening. How very good it feels to be having an AGM!

Chetnole Village Hall was built with the specific aim of providing a meeting place and social hub for the village. This Hall was opened 71 years' ago almost to the day. It is so important that we have your support and can continue to meet the needs of the community in a relevant and useful way.

I am preaching to the converted here but it strikes me a Village Hall, like a village shop, or pub or village church falls into the category of buildings that you don't really think about much until they are gone. And then they are missed and once gone rarely return. Love them, loathe them they are the visible signs that you have a community. Without them you don't, all you have is a housing estate, nothing but a collection of dwellings, even if these are very lovely and in parts ancient.

You are very lucky, as am I, that your Village Hall Committee members are such rocks. There is not one person on the Committee who is not integral to the running of the Hall, and much of what they do is unseen. Managing to open the outreach post office as soon as we could was very important, and I would like to say a personal thanks to those committee members of a shielding age who still came out to keep the service going. I also want to acknowledge and say a huge thank you for the donations we received from the Fete & Flower Show in 2020 and the Coffee Morning team in 2020 and 2021.

The past 18 months have been a challenge for everyone, but I want to look forward. I am delighted to say that everyone on the Committee has agreed to remain on the Committee until May of next year at least when we will get back in sync with the timing of previous AGMs and also that we will be proposing 2 new Committee members later on, Barbara Wallace and Andrew Wellstead, which is great news, and they have both already rolled up their sleeves and got stuck in. Next year we will need a new treasurer so if anyone thinks that they would be prepared to take on that role under the guidance of John initially, who will remain on the Committee please do let us know. We will be welcoming back Jazz Cafes as soon as we can, but if there are activities that you think you might like to see in the Hall please let us know.

John will cover of the financial position of the Hall, but looking ahead we will be looking at bringing in contactless payments for our events as soon as possible.

You will see some new curtains going up soon, courtesy of Barbara's hard work and I would like to thank Andrew for stepping into the breech and being such an excellent barman on Friday.

Here's wishing the Village Hall another very happy 71 years!

# Chetnole Village Hall Income and Expenditure account For the year ended 31st December 2020

2019	Income	2020	2019	Expenditure	<u>2020</u>
2,657	Hire of hall	2,146	1,469	Cleaning	1,280
565	Covenants	3,660	1,147	Electriciy	1,246
0	Meters	0	133	Water	136
0	Miscellaneous	- 88	191	General Maintenance	129
0	Donations received	0	394	Hall refurbishment/repairs	0
			567	Insurance	568
3,222	•	5,894	1,144	Catering	428
	Fundraising:		401	Licenses	90
0	100 Club	0	14	Printing, postage & stationery	23
4,311	Events	856	100	Miscellaneous (inc Hearing Loop)	928
			129	Advertising	120
£7,533	Total income	£6,750	175	Artsreach	0
	:		186	Accountancy	190
			£6,050	Total expenses	£5,138

FUNDS RECONCILIATION:	FUNDS	RECONCILIATION:
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Balance at 31 December 2020

#### Bank current account Balance at 1st January 2020 9,115 Income for the year 6,750 15,865 (5,069)Expenditure for the year Net cash movement (123)Creditor movement (4) Balance at 31 December 2020 £10,677 Bank deposit account Balance at 1st January 2020 5,024 Interest Transferred to current account £5,026 Balance at 31 December 2020 Cash account (1) Balance at 1st January 2020 23 Sundry income received 100 From bank (69)Expenditure

### SUMMARY OF GENERAL FUND

Balance at 1st January 2020	13,952
Income for the year	6,750
Interest	2
	20,704
Expenditure for the year	5,138
Balance at 31st December 2020	£15,566
Represented by:	
Current account balance	10,677
Deposit account balance	5,026
Cash in hand	53
	15,756
Less: Accountancy fee owed	190
	£15,566

These accounts have been prepared from the records and explanations provided, with no review or audit being carried out or being necessary.

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