

Minutes of HPFRGC Trustees' Meeting 19th April 2022

Present

Nick Baker, Viv Talowin, Anne Holloway, Louise Chicken, Claire Madden, Tony Swain, Jacqueline Middleton.

Apologies

Julie Wones, Gemma Scarborough, Eilish Rothney, Maggie Prettyman, Shirley Sainsbury.

Minutes of Previous meeting. Accepted as a true record.

Matters arising - Nick welcomed Jacky Middleton and Tony Swain new Trustees'.

Finance

LC presented the current accounts Total balance £67,844 including reserves of £20K, Improvement fund £27,390, Protected funds £1358.

Flo Gas paid £600. Call Master paid £187.00

Finances Healthy.

Covid issues

No Changes.

Correspondence

Flooding letter Nick spoke about how this issue is ongoing and he is awaiting further information from contractors.

Fund raising + Events

Queens Platinum Jubilee the PC have decided not to fund a Hot Roast due to cost issues.

The lighting of the Beacon we now have a bugler for this part of the celebrations.

Croquet/Garden quiz great night tickets sold out.

Strawberry Fair and Village Show, this will now not be as stringent as last year with people able to walk through the exhibits.

Villagers asked to bring their own food and drink for informal picnics.

Toilets now open for community use.

Fireworks will be basic no extra wood etc for bonfire as in November, basic pallets and straw bales.

Volunteers still needed for Strawberry Fair.

Cinema went ahead on the 22nd of April with James Bond...

Nick assessing PV panels on Barn roof possible cost issue versus electric income.

Health and safety update.

Minor issues on the play area part of a chain link barrier.

Dogs on recreation ground new signs to be put up.

Maintenance /Works Programme

South side Barn doors in bad condition N spoke to Architect re, the possibility of composite doors. Doors to be costed.

Extract ventilation working through possible options. In hand.

N looking at the possibility of a 2nd floor being built above the kitchen, could be an extra meeting room.

Two posts outside need replacing in the future, not to be wooden. In hand.

Community Garden update.

Anne reported that roses have now been planted, and herb bed has been started.

Volunteers need especially for watering. Children from Hickling School involved with planting bee friendly plants. One more small, raised bed to go in, Anne working with SMD Woodcraft making signs for raised bed. Planting herbs, cut flowers and vegetables.

Trustee's roles.

N spoke at length about the history of the barn and how the trustees' have made such a big impact on the success of the Barn to date.

5year Business Plan.

It was felt that things need to return to normal before a new 5 year plan should be formalised.

Next Meeting Monday 16th May.