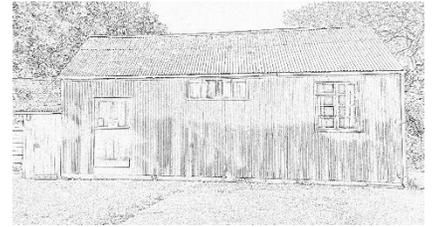


Yettington Hall
Yettington
East Budleigh
EX9 7BN



MEETING OF THE BICTON RECREATION ROOM COMMITTEE & TRUSTEES

held at
Bicton Botanical Gardens
at
1:00 pm on Tuesday 23 July 2021
and
Chaired by Terry Cantlon, Committee Chair

Those invited to attend:

Committee:

Kevin Quant, Secretary
Fran Mills, Treasurer
Terry Cantlon, Chair

Trustees:

Valerie Lister
Colin Bolt
Valerie Ellett

Others:

None

1. **APOLOGIES:**

Apologies for absence were received from Fran Mills.

2. **MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED**

Change of Committee members

Progress reports

Miscellaneous

3. **CHANGE OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The previous Treasurer, Michelle Bycraft, stepped down in November 2020 and has been replaced by Fran Mills.

4. **PROGRESS REPORTS**

a. **Treasurer's Report:**

The Hall's accounts for the year ended January 2021 were provided. These include the Government Covid Grants which have put the bank account into a healthy position.

b. **Secretary's Report:**

The Xmas Raffle proved to be a great success, with £1,004 being raised. A thank you was given to the two Valeries for their contribution to the prizes.

Regular Hall updates have been submitted via the East Budleigh with Bicton Parish News and the Hall's website.

Since the successful open day in August 2020, a small band of volunteers has contributed to the upkeep of the grounds including the planting of native species hedging, strimming and mowing of the lawns and banks. Hard plastic parking matting has been laid to the right of the hall to lessen

impact on the grass.

Painting of the main Hall's exterior will be commencing soon, a sample of the suggested colour was circulated to a number of residents for their thoughts. As the majority of responses were positive, it was agreed to proceed accordingly. The Trustees also gave their approval to the colour choice at the Meeting.

Lord Clinton's Charitable Trust very kindly provided funding for the new double Devon gates for the Hall entrance and a pedestrian side gate, which were erected by a team from Bicton Arena, a letter of thanks went to the Trust and Kate Ponting, who orchestrated the work.

c. Chairman's Report:

The temporary roof cover for the 'Donkey' hut has kept the building dry over the winter period and continues to provide adequate protection.

Due to regular usage of the Hall an annual income of approximately £2,000 has been secured, which more than covers the annual running costs of around £800.

Internal strengthening of the Hall can now be started and once completed we can promote the Hall for a wider range of functions.

The Trustees were informed that Alan Tweedie (Builder) had been appointed to carry out the internal structure installation work. Backing was subsequently given by the Trustees for this work, estimated to cost around £3,000, to commence.

Valerie Lister offered to contact Ash Services, the firm used for the new roof on the main Hall, to see if they could provide a more competitive quote for the beam production, currently quoted at £1,700. Terry Cantlon to provide the engineering specification for the beams.

Further projects include: the re-roofing of the 'Donkey' hut and completion of the kitchen refurbishment.

d. Miscellaneous Points:

The Committee requested clarification from the Trustees as to what basis they provided monies towards the Hall funds. All three Trustees confirmed the monies provided were donations.

A big thank you was given from the Trustees to the Committee for the time, work and effort they have undertaken.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business the meeting was closed.

6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be advised.