

# MEETING OF THE YETTINGTON HALL COMMITTEE

held in

## YETTINGTON HALL

at

7.30pm on Wednesday 17th September 2025

### Those invited to attend:

Sue Barnard	Laura Oseland
Melanie Lester	Tracy Payne
Emma McBarnet	Steven Pearcey
Tom McBarnet	John Smith
	Paula Williams

1. **APOLOGIES:** None

### 2. **MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED:**

#### **a. *Confirming those volunteering for roles as Custodian Trustees***

John Smith, Steven Pearcey and Tom McBarnet volunteered for roles as Custodian/ Holding Trustees. They were all accepted by the Committee.

#### **b. *Transition from old Custodian Trustees to new Custodian Trustees***

The Committee were in agreement that we should look into the option of using the Office of the Official Custodian in which to vest the land as it may be a better long term solution.

**Emma McB to action**

#### **c. *Transition from old Managing Committee to new Managing Committee***

The Chair, Treasurer and Secretary from the old Committee have handed in their resignations ready for a new Committee to be formed.

#### **d. *Confirming roles on the Committee***

The following volunteered for the roles and were accepted.

Chair	Laura Oseland
Treasurer	Melanie Lester
Secretary	Emma McBarnet
Events and Fundraising	Paula Williams, Tracy Payne and Sue Barnard

Julie Smith volunteered to join the Committee

**e. Update on steels to reinforce the Hall**

John Smith obtained a quotation from Boaden Construction to undertake the strengthening of the Hall. The quote is £3000.00.

The Committee are keen to press ahead with the work but would like confirmation of the current cash balance in the bank and details of outgoings before going ahead.

**Melanie L to action**

The Committee were aware that careful planning on the timing of work was important to minimise disruption for hirers.

**f. Managing our volunteers**

At the meeting held on 3rd September a number of Yettington residents volunteered to help with grass cutting, Autumn hedge trimming and building maintenance. Steven Pearcey agreed to put together a working party, choosing a day when the weather looks dry, to undertake these tasks.

**Steven P to action**

**5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:**

**a** With an eye to looking forward, it was suggested that a small “working group” be put together to develop plans laid out in 2023 to replace the old Donkey shed. The aim being to get a rough costing that can be used for fundraising plans. We have a few residents in Yettington who might be willing to take on this role.

**Emma McB to action**

**b** Sue Barnard suggested the Hall could do with a tidy up, getting rid of some unused items, the Committee agreed.

**Sue B to action**

Emma McBarnet said she would try to contact the Band to ask them to remove their kit that has been left in the Donkey shed.

**Emma McB to action**

**c** Fundraising ideas were briefly discussed and it was thought a good idea if some thought could be given to this to discuss at our next meeting.

**Tracy P, Paula W and Sue B to action**

**d** Finding ways to reduce the outgoings of the Hall were also briefly discussed but it was decided to wait until our new treasurer was established so that the Committee could get a clear picture.

**e** Tom McBarnet asked whether we could become registered as an unincorporated Charity. Emma McB said she would contact Devon Communities Together on this point for advice.

**Emma McB to action**

**6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 15th October 7.30pm

