

MINUTES OF ARKENDALE COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER 2023 AT 7.30 PM IN ARKENDALE COMMUNITY HALL

Present: Gavin Holman (Chairman) GH, Jean Cox (Treasurer) JC, David Cox (Secretary) DC, Pauline Ward PW, Sarah Brophy SB, Sharon Thackray ST.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Caroline Houseman, Jane Watson and Jane Mortimer, Malcolm Howe and Judith Howe.

2. Minutes of meeting held on Monday 25 May 2023 and Matters Arising

The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed to be accepted as correct by PW seconded by SB and signed by the Chairman. No matters arising that would not be covered under later items.

3. Correspondence

JC had received a rather threatening letter from the TV licencing authority re. the need for a TV licence for the hall. This was quickly dealt with by registering no TV/ no licence required with them. The Business rates relief applied for had been successful giving us 100% rate relief. However the periodic rateable value review of which we had no notification has resulted in the rateable value increasing from £2500 to £4900, which could potentially have repercussions for future rates demands.

4. Financial Matters

JC stated that the new Building Society deposit account has a balance of £8100. The 'London' deposit account had a balance of £70104.85 on 30 June (latest statement) and the current account a balance of £7735.39 at the last received statement dated 27 August 2023.

5. Maintenance

The deferred annual hall spring clean was completed last week. GH & DC had completed the rebuild of the step buttress damaged by an unknown RTA

ST had reported the crumbling pub car park walls to the pub management. Regarding the revarnishing of the east facing side of the hall it had now been noticed that more of the veranda spindles are rotting and need replacing DC would progress replacement of spindles and contact Gary Atkins to ask if he would be able to carry out revarnishing.

6. Health & Safety

The car park light is still under review. The white lines on the step edges are fading and need to be repainted. DC will arrange.

7. Booking Secretary's Report

GH had been advised by Caroline that the booking process was running smoothly with new bookings for learner drivers training courses and cycling events.

8. Future Events

Films are already scheduled until November and new releases will be considered to follow on. One suggestion from PW was Oppenheimer which although quite long is recommended

9. A.O.B

Date of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting was set as Monday 4 December 2023 with the A.G.M. at 7.30 pm followed by the committee meeting. There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Agreed (Chairman) Date