

Minutes of a Community Hall & Premises Committee Meeting held on Thursday 16th February 2017 at 6pm in the Civic Centre, Eckington

Attendance

Councillors: - J. Austen (Chair); S Beecher, C. Gare, C. Harper and K. Deffley.

Others: R. Bullimore (Clerk) Cllr Ibbotson, Steve Pickering (Chair MLCH)

048/17 Apologies for Absence

Councillor C. Hunt, B Ridgway and C. Renwick.

049/17 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

RESOLVED to receive a report from the Chair of Marsh Lane Community Hall after apologies.

050/17 MINUTES

RESOLVED to approve Minutes 41/16 – 47/16 of a Community Hall & Premises Meeting held 10 November 2016.

051/17 The Chair duly signed the Minutes.

052/17 RENISHAW & SPINKHILL COMMUNITY HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The new Management Committee is to be formalised in March 2017. Councillor B Ridgway and Stephen Fiddler have agreed to continue to offer support and the Parish Council will continue to deal with the finance until the new members have settled in. Members of the new Management Committee would be invited to a future meeting of the committee to sign the Memorandum of Understanding.

053/17 MARSH LANE COMMUNITY HALL (MLCH)

The building has a number of regular bookings and there have been some additional one off bookings. The hall fee has been reduced for community Fracking meetings.

The new windows, doors, fascia and roof repairs are to be carried out this coming weekend. Steve asked if a lock with restricted keys could be fitted in the new door. RESOLVED Steve to get a quote and bring back to the Committee for consideration.

Representatives from the user groups including the under 5's play group have been attending the Committee meetings. The nursery hire agreement has not been signed yet but they have signed an amendment sheet with changes to the hire agreement.

The Committee are looking for a cleaner 2 hours every month. Clerk agreed to place a notice on social media.

The Chair of the under 5's play group has made two previous freedom of information requests to the Council, for copies of any correspondence or management agreements between the Parish Council and the nursery. The Clerk has received a third letter stating that due to the lack of any documentary evidence regarding hire agreements, the nursery is protected under the Landlord and Tenants Act 1954. They have been operating in the building for over 20 years and assume that the Parish Council will allow them to continue to do so under the same arrangements. RESOLVED Clerk to inform the nursery that they are not a tenant they are a hirer of the building. The hire agreement is between the nurse and the MLCH Committee and if they have a problem then they need to discuss it with the Committee.

054/17 CIVIC CENTRE

The Clerk reported on the renovation work that had been completed and on the work still outstanding. Funding is being sought for a new LED lighting system, solar panels, new windows, artist room, back office and a disabled toilet.