

PRIVETT VILLAGE HALL

Minutes of the meeting at 6pm on Friday 21st March 2025 at the Village Hall

Present : Graham Flack (Chairman), Rob Baldock, Ann Daniels, Ian Hughes, Gill Martin, Alexandra Raphael (secretary), Edward Sadler and Melanie Wright.

Apologies: Rob Hollis

The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th January 2025 had been circulated and were approved.

Edward reported: there was a profit of £50 and attendance was 33. Ann suggested that more advertising might be useful. Laminated posters would not be damaged in the wind and rain on posts. Gill suggested that leaflets thru doors might be more effective as posters were not always read.

Action Ann: to produce leaflets and distribute them for the next film night.

Ann reported: she found wine glasses at 75p per glass at Tesco's. The committee thought about 48-50 should be purchased.

Action Ann: purchase the glasses

Report Alex, Ian and Gill: An email from the meeting with Veronica was circulated to the committee. The cupboard space for us was agreed upon.

Alex reported: she had brought the archive files from Bridget. The pint glasses were placed in the kitchen.

Ian reported: he had an old filing cabinet and would bring it in for the cupboard to sort out the files

Ian reported: the financial report had been signed off by Christine. He would report this at the AGM along with the Trustees report. He had emailed all the paperwork to the committee before the committee meeting.

Gill proposed we accept the report and Graham seconded.

Ian suggested: we add a further £7,000 with the existing £40,000 in the investment fund.

The committee agreed that this was a good idea.

Action Ian: invest the £7,000

Ian reported: that the electricity would be increasing by at least 12% and should be reflected in Veronica's rent. The committee agreed that her rent should increase to £42 in September and possibly £44 if the electricity were to increase again.

Gill Chung reported: that Veronica had the heating up to 24 and electricity had been left on over night on several occasions. She has explained to Veronica how to set and turn down the heating for the future. She suggested we meet with Veronica again.

Action Gill C, Alex and Ian: to arrange another meeting with Veronica.

Edward reported: he is still investigating the possibility of changing the current Trustee situation to a CIO. He had hoped to ask Kevin Smith to assist.

Action Graham: to mention this change in his Chairman's report at the AGM and Edward could explain further to those who attended the meeting.

Rob Baldock reported: He has investigated getting a card reader for the Village Hall. The cost is £40 and the committee agreed that he should go ahead and purchase one. If it proved successful we might get two as several could be useful for some of our events.

AGM

Ian reported: He was still hoping to ask Robert Hutchinson to take over as treasurer after he retires. He hoped to speak to him this week. There are actually two different rolls of the treasurer: Bookkeeping and Accounts. It could be divided between 2 individuals if necessary.

Ian also pointed out that signatures on the accounts would have to change. Rob Hollis as the new chairman should be added as well as the new treasurer and a third person.

Action Ian: to speak to Robert Hutchinson

Alex reported: Mike Greenslade and Jan Topping had agreed to stand as committee members. She also hoped to persuade Amanda from the Privett Centre to join. Rob Hollis has phoned her and asked her to come to the AGM.

Action Graham: acquire a license for the AGM.

Gill C. suggested that we ask participants at the AGM to make any suggestions for Village Hall activities that we don't already have in the usual list of events. There was an "American Supper" several years ago that proved popular where participants went to several houses in the village for a course and then went to another for the next course.

Action Alex: to print out suggestion forms for the tables to write ideas for possible future events

Gill Chung Reported: there were quite a few curries and desserts already organised for the event

The AGM will take place on Saturday April 5th at 7:00 followed by a curry supper

Ann reported: she had contacted Mike for dates he would be available for the "Bash" It was decided the July 19th would be the best date for the Village. A discussion followed as to what food would be provided. Edward thought that BBQ would be too difficult if we were also to have a separate Village BBQ in the summer as usual. The time and effort for a BBQ was quite labour intensive especially for the cooks.

Action Ann: to book Mike for the 19th July and we would discuss food at the next meeting.

Action Ann: to look into a hog roast for the event

AOB

Melanie Reported: that Village Greening would have an event on May 7th in the evening.

Action Ian: continue to update us on the Dog event and hope that a speaker/presenter would be available at a future date.

Action Ian: would followup with the possible Privett Tunnel visit once repairs were made.

Next meeting would take place on Friday April 25 at the later time of 6:00

Future Events and Dates

Date	Event	Notes
Saturday April 5th	AGM and Curry	7:00pm
	BBQ	
July 19th	Summer “Bash”	
	Quiz	
September	Harvest Supper	
November	Film Show and food	
	Quiz??	
	Wreath making	