

Manningford Memorial Hall
Annual General Meeting
Wednesday 3rd June 2015

Present:

Andrew Marshall (AM), Sandra Hossack (SH), Sandi Proto (SP), Sue Lymposs (SL)

Minutes

1. Apologies for absence were received from Kate Walker and Natasha Lichter.
2. Minutes of previous AGM were approved & signed.
3. There were no matters arising from the previous AGM minutes.

4. Chairman's Report

AM reported that the Memorial Hall continued to take regular bookings from the Dog Club on both a Thursday evening/Friday morning and also from the weekly ladies keep fit class. There continues to be one-off bookings throughout the year, but we need to encourage & promote the facilities so that more use is made of this well set up venue.

A major achievement this year was the installation of the acoustic panels and we applied for, and received, a Pewsey Area Board grant of £1540 towards their cost. Thanks should be given to Bernard Gaskin (Parish Council Treasurer) who helped with the application for this grant, together with Sue Lymposs for presenting our case to the Area Board and to David Proto, Richard Lymposs and Chris Wardell for installation of the panels.

There were a number of events organised by the Village Hall committee over the year including pub nights, two quiz evenings with supper, the WW1 event, defibrillator presentation. Disappointingly we had to cancel both the Bingo evening (which we hope to reschedule) and the wine tasting due to lack of response prior to the event. Unfortunately where there are costs involved we need to ensure that we are not losing money so it is important that we receive positive responses prior to the event.

4. Treasurer's Report

SP produced the accounts for year ended 31st March 2015. There was a deficit of £1612.20 on the year (receipts over payments) resulting in a bank balance of £3941.76. The main expenditure this year was the difference between the cost of the acoustic panels and the grant received. We have also received two oil deliveries this year as opposed to one last year. A donation of £129 was made to the Poppy Appeal as a result of the WW1 "Lights Out" evening. Within the balance remaining there is a contingency fund of £2k for new boiler/heating system.

SP will provide Bernard Gaskin (Parish Council Treasurer) with a signed copy of the report and will also submit a copy of the accounts online to the Charities Commission.

5. Appointments

The following appointments were proposed & seconded:

Chairman – Andrew Marshall (proposed SL/ seconded SH)
Vice-Chairman – Sandra Hossack (proposed AM/ seconded SP)
Treasurer – Sandi Proto (proposed SH / seconded SL)
Secretary – Natasha Lichter – (proposed SP/seconded SH)

6. Any Other Business

The PC has given the go ahead for The Manningfords website to be revamped and SH gave a brief outline of what was being included and invited comment. A link will be sent to the VH committee in order to view the site before going live.

Continuing thanks were given to members of the committee (plus their other halves) for giving up their time to be involved on the committee, with special thanks to Victoria Marshall for her continued support and for all that she does with regard to the village hall throughout the year.

Minutes taken by SL