



Northumberland
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MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT BELLINGHAM TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY 2 OCTOBER 2018

Present: Edwin Wilkinson, Pat Wilkinson, Joanne Roberts, Ken Gaskin, Bill Burlton, Brian Tilley and Monica Tasker.

1. Apologies Jamie Rickelton, William Wilkinson and Ruth Everatt.

2. Minutes of September Meeting: As there were no matters arising, these were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Ken and seconded by Bill.

3. Matters Arising

Future Town Hall Bookings - Brian reported that the members of the previous private party cleaned the hall. It was decided to ask the cleaner to come next week. Bookings include the Mattress Man, children's party, Lifespan Charity bingo after the Town Hall's, they also having a Xmas Market and a Coffee Morning, the First School have booked for a Halloween Party and then a Show in December, the Town Hall Jumble Sale on 9 February 2019 and St Cuthbert's Church Jumble Sale on 16 February. Brian is not sure how long Age Concern exercise sessions will continue and the Tai Quando has booked one session. Brian suggested having a year planner put up in the Town Hall, this was unanimously agreed, Monica to purchase.

Sound System - On-going, Joanne has heard nothing further.

Maintenance Items - Edwin and Ken have looked at the problem of water seeping in under the stairs and had the camera down to ascertain the problem. Two suggestions, Edwin would like to jet spray the area, and Ken thought to put dye down, some estimates need to be sought to give an idea of costs. Edwin has tightened the tap in the boiler room to stop the drip and will take a bit off the door as it is catching. Not had to put the heating on as yet.

Prize Bingo Thursday 18 October at 7pm – Joanne thanked everyone for the donations towards purchasing the prizes; Joanne & Monica will go shopping for these; posters are done and need distributing, Ken will ask the Cheviot, butchers, chemist and Rocky Road for donated gifts; Joanne the greengrocer and the Country Store, Monica the newsagents; advert is placed in the Courant. Sandwiches - Pat will make egg; Monica tuna; Joanne cheese and carrot; Ruth corned beef, and everyone will bake cakes; Joanne will ask Helena to do the Bingo call for the prizes; Ken has asked Tom Tom to call the bingo and Eileen will be asked to help with the washing up and Joanne enquired about buying a silicon mat to deaden the sounds of washing up. All donations for prizes and raffle prizes will be appreciated; the hamper will be put in the Bakers.

Hallmark Renewal – Booked on Monday 15 October at 10.30am; Edwin, Ken Joanne & Monica to attend.

Xmas Fair Wednesday 5 December – Joanne reported this is fully booked and all paid; thinking of asking therapists to book tables in the Community Room and 2 have booked; Melissa will be open. Sarah is unable to do Santa's Grotto, now suggesting the Lion Club take this over with perhaps giving the Town Hall a small donation; Edwin and Pat will put on refreshments, mulled wine and mince pies.

4. Treasurer's Report – Joanne reported on the accounts. The electric bill was queried as very high and was reduced to half the amount; water and Courant advert paid; Payments received from the Leek Club; Pilates; Carpet Man; Mellissa; Tai Quando.

5. Any other business:

Bill said that there will be no drama performance this December and perhaps something at Easter. Ken asked Bill about the Drama things on the stage, Bill will enquire.

As the flag became battered in the wind a new flag will be put up.

Joanne said the edge of the top step going downstairs is unsafe, Ken will look at this.

Joanne asked about the Xmas tree festival, and Pat will organise a tree for the Town Hall.

Edwin mentioned that the Coop cheque presentation will be on Saturday 24 November.

As there was no other business, the meeting closed at 7.32pm. The next meeting is on Tuesday 6 November 2018 at 6.30pm.