

SILCHESTER VILLAGE HALL
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Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Managing Trustees held at 7.30pm on 23 July 2012 at Silchester Village Hall Club Room.

Present: Chair: Jonathan Murdock (JM)
Secretary: Ashley Watson

Committee Members: Valerie Hyde, Andrew Chandler, Stuart Sinclair, Eamonn McArdle (EM) Sue Pragnell, Teresa Philpott, John Durrant,

Also present: Steve Spillane, Scott Dyer, Mick & Pam Oram, Keith Graham (on behalf of Silchester Players) Janet & Mike Earl, Jim Jones

Apologies received from: Kathryn McCrohan, Shellie Dunham,

Minutes of the last meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee were approved.

Treasurers Report

- ⤴ Discussion of what and how information should be presented
- ⤴ Income in the first quarter of 2012 was £2200 with £2700 expenditure, including VH insurance.
- ⤴ The VH holds £24,000 of funds
- ⤴ It was agreed that there should be greater focus on 'day-to day' fund-raising

Report from Finance & Fundraising Sub-Committee – Andrew Chandler

- ⤴ BDBC 'Section 106' funds not available for VH purposes
- ⤴ VH has applied for other BDBC funding but will not receive a response until September 2012.
- ⤴ Other funding avenues were discussed.

Report from Management Sub-Committee – Jonathan Murdock

- ⤴ Nothing to report.

Report from Redevelopment Sub-Committee

- ⤴ VH has applied for planning permission for the Scott Dyer plans as agreed.
- ⤴ BDBC have confirmed that planning permission (PP) would be required and is unlikely to be received for a major solar power installation on the VH roof. Lower level or ground mounted panels would be acceptable but still require PP.
- ⤴ Sale of land for extension will requires 'best value' to be achieved as set out by

the Charity Commission.

- ✦ A proposal was made for the independent valuation for the 'Bowling Green' land to be released. A vote was taken, approved and the the figure of £150,000 was publicised.
- ✦ General discussion covered the necessity of two separate disabled toilets in the extension plans.
- ✦ Trustees agreed that a 'Sinking Fund' for future maintenance would be necessary.
- ✦ Silchester Players are investigating the costs and implications of the installtion of a 'hearing loop' to be installed in the main hall.

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- ✦ Neil Smithers has resigned as a VH Trustee.
- ✦ A Special General Meeting of the Village Hall is to be held in the main hall on 31st July to consider and, if thought fit, pass a Resolution under Clause 17.2 of Schedule A of the Conveyance dated 18 June 1927 as amended empowering the Managing Trustees to sell that part of the Village Hall Land known as the 'Bowling Green' provided that an acceptable value for such land can be obtained by them