



Minutes of Annual General Meeting 24th July 2018

Attended by :- Committee members: Alex Pryor (Chairman), Chris Knightley, Jan Knightley, John Cunnington, Jane Flanagan, Jill Green, John Grogan, Chris Wilks.

Apologies:- Marion Ball, Sarah Williams, John Rigarlsford,

1. Minutes of 2017 AGM – approved as an accurate record of the meeting.

2. Committee's Report – this was read by Chris Knightley

The Committee for the past year comprised 11 members. Its chairman was Alex Pryor.

Every Committee member is a volunteer who has helped in various ways to ensure that the Hall provides a high-quality venue for leisure and recreation activities for the benefit of Tansley and its neighbourhood, the Hall's charitable objective. The objective is financed largely through hiring to the area's community, supplemented by the wider public for events such as parties and wedding receptions.

The Hall has retained all of its customers from last year, namely: Tansley Tai Chi, Nicky Mumford with yoga, Sharon Price with yoga, Zumba, Jane Webster with lace-making, Sheila Wagstaff with pilates, Tansley Ladies Group, Tansley Tuesday Club, Tansley Garden and Countryside Club, Tansley Film, the U3A Local History Group, Matlock Camera Club, a private knitting group, a private German class, Pudding and Pie for pre-school children's cookery classes, Chris James' photography classes, Purple and Grey's art workshops, tutorials and exhibition, British Orienteering Federation for its board meetings, High Tor Players for rehearsals, Gerry Flanagan's Shifting Sands Theatre for rehearsals, and Tansley Primary School for their own and brought-in productions. New customers are Mary Murtagh for her media tutorials and Shirland Welfare Brass Band, through Dave Hill, for some band practices and a Christmas Proms Concert.

Other uses included a wedding reception, hen dances, christening receptions, funeral receptions, children's, adults' and family parties, social events, Tansley Festival and 2 events for Tansley Church for which no charge was made for the Hall.

The Committee promoted a comedy event and two concerts this year. These performances of From Here to Absurdity, and of both Mister Keith and James Hickman and Dan Cassidy through Live and Local's rural touring scheme were very popular and sold-out as usual. More concerts are booked/planned for the 2018-19 season.

Renovation of the rear lobby is complete apart from some painting work. The former coal store off the ground floor meeting room has been converted to form a shortened, modern, walk-in store room complete with a new centre light and steel shelving. The remaining painting as well as some repainting in the main hall and some other areas will be complete in mid-August when day time usage is at its lowest level of the year.

The rear boundary wall behind the grassy area partially collapsed and has been rebuilt. The retaining wall near the rear of the building has had coping stones laid along it. The external area at the rear close to the bar window is being landscaped to make it tidy and low-maintenance. A new fence of park-style railings will be fitted between the wall of the ramp for the upper room and the boundary with the adjoining property, The Willows. This fence, with a locked gate to the new steps, will replace and extend the old chain-link one.

While fundraising now runs on a small scale, the Committee is grateful for the donations it received. In particular we received a donation of £1,500 from the late Jean McDearmid through her will.

As well as funding recent alterations, repairs and running costs, proceeds from hiring and donations have paid for new fixtures and equipment. These include a large external noticeboard, external rubber safety mats for entrances and a high, steel-mesh safety fence around the culvert in the rear grassy area.

The Hall is promoted well online through its web site managed by the Publicity Officer, Jane Flanagan, and through social networking using a Facebook page managed by the Secretary, Chris Knightley.

The Committee thanks everyone for their custom and support, enabling it to provide a flexible and attractive venue for a broad range of purposes and events. We wish the new Committee success in the coming year.

3. Treasurer's report

The statement of accounts is for the 12 month period to the 31st May 2018.

The revenue account holds £20,018. This is an increase of 2% compared with 2017.

It has a surplus of receipts over payments of £397 which is 89% less than in 2017.

Receipts from letting are £11,473. This shows an increase of 15% compared with 2017, most of which is from non-residents of Tansley.

The total payment for electricity, gas and water increased by 38% compared with 2017.

£3,685 was spent on renovation, £2,042 on fixtures and £702 on equipment. The main expenditure of each is detailed on the statement of accounts.

The insurance premium of £1,098 decreased by 2% compared with 2017.

Substantial funds are needed to cover unplanned expenditure, such as repairs, and further improvements. The latter includes renovation of the outside area behind the bar and re-painting of parts of the ground floor.

4. Nominations of up to 5 Appointed Members

Chris Wilks has been appointed by the Garden and Countryside Club.

Ladies Group, Tansley Players, Tansley Film and Tuesday Club have not appointed a member.

5. Election of 12 Elected Members

As only 11 people wished to be elected, no election was needed. The Elected Members are: Alex Pryor, Chris Knightley, Jan Knightley, Jane Flanagan, Sarah Williams, Marion Ball, John Cunningham, Jill Green, John Grogan and John Rigarlsford.

6. AOB

None.