

Colton Village Hall Management

Committee

Extraordinary General Meeting 15 December

2015

- 1. Members Present:** I Jones (Chairman) R Lawrence (Treasurer) B Lloyd (Secretary)
M Godfrey P Waring P Macmillan J Macmillan A Shortland D Shortland A Chappell
H Whibley P Whibley Dorothy Bradbury David Bradbury G Nunn R Williams
A Nunn P Jones S Barnett A Lloyd M Monbiot R Monbiot
- 2. Apologies:** S Jenkinson B Brown
- 3. Treasurer's Report and Audited Accounts for 2014/15:** I Jones read out the treasurer's report (appended to these minutes). R Lawrence gave a Powerpoint presentation explaining the reasons for the presentation and highlighting key elements of the accounts, including the loss in cash terms of £1587.42, the reduction of income from fundraising, an increase from hire revenue, and the significant cost of maintenance and repairs. P Jones pointed out that rates paid to LDC were substantial because unlike other Councils, LDC does impose a charge on village halls. (Secretary's note: it was confirmed after the meeting that we pay a discounted rate of 20% of the normal charge.) David Bradbury stated that the accounts should refer to parishioners rather than villagers, but when John Macmillan pointed out that our title refers to "Village Hall", David confirmed he did not seek a name change. A Nunn asked whether the £100k indemnity insurance cover applied to one individual or the whole of the committee. R Lawrence indicated that the committee could only act as one body, therefore the cover applied to the committee. J Macmillan advised that only if serious wrongdoing or negligence had resulted in a substantial debt would this insurance be applicable, and this remote possibility is indicated by the very low level of premium (approx. £25). A Chappell pointed out that health and safety issues were not covered by indemnity insurance, but he was advised that such cover was inapplicable only following instances of criminal conviction. A Chappell also said that the £4k reserve was not shown on the balance sheet. R Lawrence replied that this was not required; it was however shown in the Trustees' Annual Report. A Chappell said he believed that there was an error in the way that prepayments were shown on the balance sheet. He was assured that the accounts had been examined and approved by a qualified accountant.
- 4. Trustees' Annual Report:** A Lloyd explained that this report, as circulated, had been approved by the trustees at their June meeting and

was to be received at this EGM. S Barnett expressed thanks to the trustees for all the hard work they do on behalf of the Parish: they helped to provide parishioners with an excellent facility at reasonable cost.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.