

Curdrige Reading Room and Recreation Ground Charity

Minutes of meeting held on 3rd December 2018

Attendees: David Picton-Jones, Ian Hine, Jonathan Grigg, Christine Weaver, Larry Burden

Apologies: Emma Downer

Please note – these minutes have been typed to record discussions under the relevant heading and not necessarily in the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

1. Minutes from the previous meeting were agreed and signed.
2. **Redevelopment:** It was noted that Elaine's report in respect of a grant is very useful. Jonathan will ask Emma to progress this.
Any grant monies received should be put towards new guttering and gates to the garden. If the garden were to be cleared it could be used by hirers of the hall.
3. **Scout and Guide Hut:** It seems that the various groups using the hut are not communicating but there is nothing that the Trustees can do until we are officially approached by them. As there is no lease in place, their positions are of other hirers.
David will facilitate a meeting between John Woodman, Kelly Reynolds, Malcom Bryant and Caroline with a view to them coming to a mutual decision as the current impasse has now lasted twelve months and should be resolved.
Wessex Pest Control will investigate a possible rodent problem in the hut this week.
4. **Finance:** An excellent month, with Ian informing us that hiring revenue for November was a record £5131.
5. **Hall:** Following complaints from kitchen users, Ian will purchase various items this week to replace worn kitchen implements.
The kitchen will be deep cleaned over the Christmas period.
Following damage caused at a recent event, discussion took place regarding the advisability of allowing 18th birthday celebrations in the future. It was decided assume that this was a 'one-off' in view of the lack of similar incidents in the past.
6. **Health & Safety:** A H&S walk round took place the previous week, and the decision was made to include the drains in future inspections.
Ian will circulate a list of snagging after consultation with Larry.
Ian will contact Elaine for an update regarding the tree.
7. **Curdrige Show:** Discussion took place about the 'crack a crock' stall having been cancelled this year.
It was decided to ask for a risk assessment from the show committee.
The points made by Vanessa previously in respect of marketing had been noted previously and Trustees feel that the point of raising money via the show needs to be put into a catchphrase. Possibly 'A Resource for the Community' or something similar.
8. **Website:** The website is in need of an overhaul and Ian will investigate avenues to do this.
9. An approach has been made by a prospective new Trustee and David will speak to her further with information about the role.
10. **Meetings:** Ian will circulate prospective dates for 2019 meetings.
11. There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.45pm

