

**Minutes of the Quenington Village Hall Annual General Meeting
Thursday 5th October 2023 at 7.00pm**

Committee members present: John Dooley (Chair) **JJD**, Ray Sheldon (Treasurer) **RS**, Joan Grosscurth **JG**, Sue Baylis **SB**, Val Trafford (Secretary) **VT**

Apologies were received from James Sweeting and Lorna Knights

No members of the public were in attendance

Welcome: **JJD** welcomed all to the meeting and opened the meeting at 19:02.

Minutes of AGM 6th October 2022: These had been distributed to committee members beforehand by email and copies were available at the meeting. They were agreed as correct. A copy was then duly signed by **JJD** and will be filed, with a copy to be available on the QVH website.

Matters Arising from the Minutes: There were none.

Presentation of the Annual Report: A copy of the report given by **JJD** is attached. Its adoption was proposed by **JG** seconded by **VT**, and agreed by all present.

Presentation of the Annual Accounts: **RS** presented the accounts for the year 1st July 2022 to 30th June 2023. As usual, these have been independently examined and verified by Trevor Hunt Accountancy Limited. A copy of the report is attached. In summary: the income was similar to last year; £1,250 was raised for charities from our coffee mornings and with donations for the kitchen refurbishment we broke even for the year. Funds totalled £40,586 at year end. Adoption of the accounts was proposed by **JG** seconded by **JJD**, and agreed by all present.

Election of the Management Committee: In accordance with the QVH Scheme requirements, the current committee members stood down. All members of the previous committee were willing to serve again, and so were re-elected without opposition. Therefore, the committee members (trustees) for 2022/2023 are: John Dooley, Joan Grosscurth, Lorna Knights, Ray Sheldon, James Sweeting, Sue Baylis and Val Trafford. Fran Huckle **FH** has the role of Website Manager and reports as a Co-opted member to the committee.

There was no other business, the meeting concluded at 19:10.

Signed as a correct record of the meeting: Date:

Quenington Village Hall AGM, 5th October 2023 - CHAIR'S REPORT

This is the first year in a while where the legacy of Covid and social distancing restricting have not restricted use of the hall. We have a good selection of regular users who keep the hall well used throughout the week, especially on Wednesdays and most evenings, but there are still plenty of opportunities for new users to the hall.

This August saw the long awaited refurbishment of the kitchen for which we have Val and Joan to thank for driving this project. The kitchen will officially open on Apple Day (which again will feature a local craft fayre) on 21st October. We hope the refurbishment will be more pleasing to regular users and will also help to attract some new users to the hall over the coming years. Please take some time to look at this facility tonight or when you next visit to the hall.

Last year we decided not to hold an Air in G event, as we were unsure of the Covid restrictions, but this year we are pleased to run an evening of music and fun with "The Churchfitters" on Saturday 23rd March 2024. This Anglo-French group will sing and play through a repertoire of folk-based music using a range of instruments, both traditional and "bespoke". Tickets are on sale now at £15.00 to include snacks from the committee.

Last year we lost two committee members, who were not replaced, so we are keen to recruit new committee members to help us manage the hall. Having said that, the remaining committee have performed a sterling job keeping the hall running for our users and the local community and I extend my thanks to Ray, Val, James, Joan, Sue and Lorna for all their hard work throughout the year. I also wish to thank Anne (Wyatt) for keeping the hall clean and tidy for our users and to Fran Huckle who manages bookings and the website for us.

I will finish, with a "Thank You" to all of the hall users, both regular and occasional, without whom we would not be able to keep the hall running. We look forward to your continued support through 2023-24 and hope to see you at our monthly coffee mornings or other events throughout the coming year.

And finally, please remember our next event is our annual Apple Day which will be running on Saturday 21st October. Following the popularity of the craft fair last year we will again run this event which features a selection of local crafters so please bring your apples, containers for juice and money to start your Christmas shopping!!

John Dooley, October 2023

