UVH Committee Meeting Wednesday 17th January 2024, 7pm

Present:

Paula Alford, Colin Allbrook, Eileen Beer, Vanessa Buckpitt, Chris Hart, Jane Laming, Sue Lewis, Steph Munday, Sally Murch, Ann Page, Geoff Shallcross, Penny Wignall

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4	A hirer brought their own heater into the hall, which activated the smoke alarms. The hirer then attempted to access the control panel themselves before contacting the caretaker in an attempt to silence the alarm. This resulted in damage to the control panel door & a call out charge for the fire alarm company. Penny & Geoff to meet with the hirer to discuss the issues & costs arising from this incident. The committee acknowledge that the incident has raised some issues: clear instructions for hirers in the event of an incident to be displayed. All hirers to be made aware of the existing terms & conditions not permitting their own heating equipment to be brought into the hall. Can we link this to the new booking system?	GS & PW
	Terms & conditions to be checked. A separate noticeboard to be purchased for specific Hall info so	NB & JL

	it doesn't get lost in other advertising material.	JL
5	New Booking System	
	Calendar of activity very clear. Penny advised that calendar is not easily viewed on an iPad. Nigel to investigate. Sections of Hall to be listed separately i.e. Car Park, main Hall & meeting area. Invoicing via the system to be implemented.	NB NB NB
6	Sound System & Grants	
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7	Treasurer's Report	
	Bank balance £19,462. £15,000 moved to a deposit account earning 1.3% interest.	
8	Events	
	Christmas dinner & dance - 60 people attended £135.75 profit after all costs. £100 to UVH for electricity costs & £35 to Air Ambulance. 2024 event will be Saturday 14 th December. Libbaton Golf Club gave £20 donation for their use of the bingo machine. Coffee morning raised £121 for defibrillator fund. Ann suggested that this be a quarterly event. An advertising board should be placed outside to catch people off the train as well as passing traffic. Burns Night 27/1 – 70pp attending so far. Ann ran through the details of the event. Sally to purchase cheese & Sally, Penny & Ann making desserts. John running the bar. Pricing to be discussed with him. Car Boot – Sunday 24 th March 10am-1pm, set up from 9am. Tabletop in Hall, 1 table per person, 18 max. Car booters in car park, not on grass, max 10. £10 per table or car. Bacon rolls etc. to be served. Jane to liaise with Sam re advertising.	SM&PW JA&AP JL &SS
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10	Update of Parish Council Meeting	
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	A Planning sub-committee is to be set up, Paula will be the Umberleigh rep on it.	
	The Parish Clerk is to contact Richard Sable of Highways to ascertain the responsibility of the fencing alongside the road from the railway bridge running down to the station entrance.	
	No news on Snow Warden scheme. To be chased with Clerk.	PA & JL
11	Speed Watch Update	
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12	Spring Clean	
	Saturday 24 th February 10am All villagers welcome to help keep the Hall in pristine condition. Sue Lewis to create a task list& an inventory to be produced.	SL
13	Any Other Business	
	Sue Lewis – underside of tables to be cleaned and chewing gum removed.	JA
	Paula – Kitchen help offered for Panto. Chris Allbrook to advise.	CA
	Geoff – railway side windows to be painted.	JA
	Colin – Chris Allbrook very pleased with the fund raising for the defibrillator, thank you to all involved.	

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