

**Sessay Community Trust Committee**  
**Minutes of meeting held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at 7.30pm.**

**Present**

G Musgrave, C Syers, C Trow, D Ayling, H Dale, G Jackson, R Lupson, J Walburn, S Smith, M May, L Cornell, R Langstaff

**1.0 Apologies for Absence**

D Till, R Ormston, D Willoughby, K Ellis, M Watkinson, E Swales, B Anderson  
The Chairman welcomed R Langstaff to the meeting, representing the cricket club.

**2.0 Minutes of the previous**

The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> November were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

**3.0 Treasurer's report**

The Treasurer reported:

**Account balances on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Current account balance = £ 38485.56

Saving account = £95928.34

Total = £134413.90

A copy of income and expenditure was circulated at the meeting.

The Parish Council were thanked for the purchase of a portable stage at a cost of £3580.20

The Land Registry transfer is ongoing.

**4.0 Matters Arising**

**4.1 Village Hall website/ Facebook page**

R Lupson reported that he is working on a second list to accommodate the increase in subscriptions. He had paid the main registration fee of £8.99 as a donation and was duly thanked. He reported that he is continuing to work on the Facebook issue.

**4.2 Norwegian Maple Tree update**

The Chairman reported that he continues to try and liaise with Northern Power Grid and the tree surgeon to arrange a date.

**5.0 Refurbishment of Village Hall**

**5.1 Scheduling update.**

As reported at the last meeting work on the foundations for the extension had started. Unfortunately, the current inclement weather, the soak away being on sand and the excavation flooded, the foundations had to be redesigned. This was resolved by creating a mesh raft foundation and filling with concrete at an extra cost of £2,000.00 This has set the project back a few weeks.

**5.2 Stage for the School Nativity Play**

A stage had been sourced for the nativity play. Subsequently the Parish Council had agreed to fund the purchase of a portable stage for the village hall.

**5.3 Grant applications**

Work continues the following grants:

- **U K Prosperity Fund.** Work on an application to the decarbonisation grant within the scheme is being undertaken.
- **FCC Communities Grant Foundation.**
- **Garfield Weston**
- **Bernard Sunley**

## **6.0 Events and future events**

### **6.1 Fundraising and events sub - committee**

H Dale reported that a WhatsApp group had been set up and the next meeting of the committee is to be arranged. The meeting will be posted on the website for interested parties to attend. A tabletop sale has been arranged for the 10<sup>th</sup> of February, £10 per table, to be advertised.

### **6.2 Pig Race Evening – feedback**

A successful evening, raising £876. Agreed it should be held every other year, alternating possibly with a family quiz.

### **6.3 Ladies Darts Charity evening feedback**

Enjoyable evening which raised £178, donated to the village hall.

### **6.4 Comedy evening – 7<sup>th</sup> February**

The acts are booked, Steve Day and Howard Walker. The compare will be the same as last time. Posters are being distributed.

### **6.5 The Cherry Tones.**

Date to be arranged.

### **6.6 Other ideas for consideration**

- Scarecrow Festival in May
- Quiz night
- Beetle drive

## **7.0 Widow / Widowers Christmas monies**

There were 20 recipients this year. £50 per person = £1000. C Trow and M Watkinson distributed the funds.

## **8.0 Matters for posting on website.**

Matters agreed to be uploaded:

- The minutes
- AGM notification
- Planned Events.
- Update on the refurbishment

## **9.0 Any other business**

9.1 Leaflet drop circulation/ distribution list to be reviewed by J Walburn, D Till and R Lupson

## **10.0 Date and time of next meeting**

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.30pm**