Sessay Community Trust



Sessay Community Trust Committee Minutes of meeting held on Monday 14th October 2024 at 7.30pm

Present

C Trow (Chair & Secretary), G Musgrave, R Lupson, M May, M Watkinson, D Till, P Dale, D Willoughby, S Smith, S Prentice, H Dale, L Cornell

S Walburn (on behalf of J Walburn), Pat Bee (on behalf of K Ellis),

1.0 Apologies for Absence

C Syers (Treasurer), K Ellis, D Ayling, R Ormston, E Swales, J Walburn, R Langstaff

2.0 Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 16th July were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chair

3.0 Treasurer's Report

In the absence of the Treasurer the Chair reported:

3.1 Account balances on 7th October 2024

| Current account | £5,818.43 |
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| Deposit account | £51,846.96 |
| Boiler Replacement Grant (o/s) | £7,500.00 |
| VAT Repayment Due | £11,112.23 |
| Total | £76,277.62 |
| Less solar panel installation o/s | £20,000.00 |
| Projected management fund | £56,277.62 |

3.2 Recent money received from Sessay Parish Council (for floor)- £3,100

3.3 Work Outstanding

Replacement doors for ladies toilet, disabled toilet, cleaning equipment cupboard, main hall and large store cupboard. Floor thresholds, internet connection

Bill from Calverts re final work at a cost of £2,000

3.4 Still awaiting Land Registry confirmation

4.0 Matters Arising

4.1 Village Hall website/ Facebook page

R Lupson has added a gallery under main menu under the heading "Renovation"

New page linking to online archives has been set up

135 users currently signed up to website

Group account "Sessay Village Hall 2024" now set up – 42 users currently – anybody can post – hope to draw interest from local community – L Cornell to help with administration – S Ayling and S Lupson as Auditors of the site



Events email has been set up for any queries to go directly to L Hudson and H Dale

4.2 Norwegian Maple Tree update

G Musgrave reported that "the order had been cancelled"! Northern Power Grid have now confirmed they have the request and a date should be received within 7 days. The tree surgeon has also been put on alert.

4.3 Play Area

D Willoughby confirmed that the new swings had arrived, been erected and tried and tested by adults and children. FYI- If anything else is procured from this company, they are very difficult to find! Some of the current equipment has been taken out of use and condemned due to safety reasons. What is required to replace? How do we raise funds? Cricket Club have had a raffle and donated proceeds towards the new equipment. Further discussions to be held on this subject.

5.0 Refurbishment of Village Hall

5.1 Update on progress and next phase

Phase 1 complete. Doors and electrics due to be completed this week- cooker switch to be moved to an eye line position. Solar panels paperwork submitted – waiting for installation date. Signage to be completed once doors are finished. A request has been made to the Parish Council to help with funding for the main hall door, toilet seat replacement to make them dementia friendly, a notice board and leaflet rack for the corridor.

Wi-fi – Discussions with the Cricket Club to access their new account to enable remote monitoring of the heating system.

Heating set on a comfortable setting – ask hall users not to adjust

Folder in kitchen with all instructions for all appliances

Risk Assessment to be done again, Fire Assessment complete

Phase 2 - more difficult to raise funds due to lack of grants - discuss with Trustees on 28th October

5.2 Grant Applications

It is estimated that £100k- £150k will be required to complete the project.

To date $\pm 142,787.63$ in grant funding has been received for Phase I

6.0 Events and future events

H Dale reported.

2nd Nov open afternoon – invited donors and local community

9th Nov Christmas Fayre – local suppliers, refreshments, tombola

7th Dec Wreath making workshop – Non-fund raising event as free course from NYC – 16 interested up to 24 can be accommodated

- 31st Dec New Year's Eve Party bar open bring a plate
- 11th Jan Mama Mia Film Showing Sing-a-long!
- 13th Jan Enamel Tile Making workshop 2 sessions
- 15th Feb Cherry Tones
- 22nd Mar Willow Weaving



7.0 Rent and Hire Charge Review

Annual review to be discussed at Trustees' Meeting on 28th October

8.0 Widow/Widowers Christmas monies

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9.0 Matters for posting on website

Events list to be added

10.0 Any other business

M Watkinson mentioned Saturday 19th October- Photography presentation plus puddings and a raffle! Proceeds to St Cuthberts Church

11.0 Dates and times of meetings in 2025

SCT Monday 13th January

Open Meeting Monday 24th Feb (reports due)

| AGM | Monday 7 th April |
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| SCT | Monday 28th April |
| SCT | Monday 14th July |
| SCT | Monday 13th October |

Open Meeting Monday 27th October

All meetings to start at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

G Musgrave has given advance apologies for 13th Jan 2025