

BECKINGTON MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE

Agenda

11th November at 7pm in The Clifford Suite

Management Committee

1. Present and in Attendance.

Suzanne Chillman (chair), Lu Hughes, Stan Wilson, Sara Coffield (secretary), David Norman (treasurer)

Also in attendance

Jeanette Hurst, David Costello arrived at 7.20pm

2. Apologies

Roz Serle, Sandy Usher

3. Minutes from October meeting.

The management committee unanimously accepted the October minutes.

4. Matters Arising

Wifi

The wifi often buffers in the Clifford suite. SCh asked if we should contact Gigaclear again? The committee decided to roll it over to the new year.

ACTION: Add wifi to the agenda in the new year

Club membership renewals

SW reported that all his members were paid up.

LP is yet to follow up.

ACTION: LP to follow up on membership renewals

Dogs in the Field

LP is yet to write a sign

ACTION: LP to write a sign

5. Financial Report.

DN reported that income was larger than outgoings this month otherwise unremarkable.

Electric and Gas Renewal – June 2025

DN reported that it is now time to sign up to a fixed tariff or wait and see; the general consensus was to sign up now.

ACTION: DN to sign up for 3-year fixed rate tariff

Business Rates

DN produced the business rates bills; we are currently heavily subsidised and paying zero.

Bank Mandate

DN reported needing signatures from DN, SW and LP

200 Club Draw

October/November rolled over

6. Alcohol Requests

7. AOB

Fire Safety Officer SCh

SW has been our fire safety officer for 6 years and he would like to pass on the mantle.

SCh thanked SW for his work as fire safety officer and asked DC if he wouldn't mind replacing him. DC agreed.

8. Next Meeting

9th December

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2. Apologies

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3. Minutes from October meeting.

The working committee unanimously accepted the October minutes.

4. Matters Arising

Weeding

SCh and LH reported a successful day with good engagement on Facebook. LP suggested doing it quarterly.

ACTION: SCh/LH to organise another weeding party in the spring.

Kitchen Hatch

LH is yet to follow up

ACTION: LH to follow up Devon and Fire Service / community group

Storage behind the stage

SCh reported that it is now looking really clear behind the stage.

ACTION: SCh to order shelving

Fixing the Rusty Fence

The committee were at a loss on who to ask to fix the fence. JH has a neighbour who fixes fences.

ACTION: JH to ask neighbour

Flickering Lights in Clifford Suite

SCh reported that fluorescent tubes are not being manufactured anymore but there are a few in the shops still. Do we change to LED tubes now or later? The committee agreed on an LED tube now.

ACTION: DC to order a new LED tube

Tree Surgeon

SW has not been able to contact a tree surgeon yet.

ACTION: SW to follow-up

Gutters

SCh reported that there was not a ladder available at the weeding party so DC was unable to clean the gutters.

ACTION: DC to clean the gutters when a ladder becomes available

Painting the Hall

SCh has had another two quotes including the man who painted her house, which she will forward to the committee.

ACTION: SCh to forward the quotes to the committee

Projector

ACTION: DN to look up the [make/serial number?]

5. Maintenance.

Playground flooring

SCh asked the committee if we should get on and get this ordered?

LH suggested that we need another quote.

DN asked if it is ok to do this job in the winter?

ACTIONS:

LU to follow-up;

JH to update the thermometer

Roof Repair

It has been reported that a tile has slipped and stuff in the attic has got wet. AM (tiler) looked at roof of CS last year, made repairs.

ACTION: LH to ask AM to replace the tile/s

Ladders

It was noted that the ladder was missing at the weeding party. A hirer removed the ladder because it wasn't safe. The ladder belongs to the BP. SCh suggested that the hall pay for the ladder so that we can all use it. The hirer also requested that the hall purchases a tall step-ladder for reaching the main ceiling lights. The ladder is being stored in the incorrect place. The ladders should be stored behind the stage.

ACTION: DC to buy a new large (6ft) ladder and put it behind the stage

Stage Curtains

A hirer has also reported that the stage curtains have been broken. SCh had a look and deduced it was hooks.

ACTION: Panto to bring hooks for the curtains and wash/store side curtains

Heaters

SW reported that the heater on the left in the main hall is faulty.

ANH have been booked to fix the fault.

ACTION: SW to book heater maintenance in the new year

Grass Cutting Grant

ACTION: JH to follow up

6. Events

Quiz Night 2025 RS

ACTION: Roll over to next month

7. Facebook/ Network. JH

Panto?

8. AOB

Maintenance

SCh left RS' maintenance report at home.

LP is doing November's maintenance report.

The changing rooms

SCh asked if the CC be willing to paint the changing rooms if the hall bought the paint as they are the only hirers to use it?

ACTION: DN to talk to CC

Wooden wardrobe outside the Clifford Suite

SCh queried the nature of the wooden wardrobe outside the CS. DN reported that it is ready for the tip

ACTION: SCh to send wardrobe to the tip

Drain rods in the carpark

SCh highlighted the fact that the leaves will be blocking the drains soon. LP has drain rods. SCh does too but is going away soon.

Garage door in very poor condition

The CC has go ahead to replace the door.

ACTION: DN to Follow-up

9. Next meeting

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