

BREDFIELD VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON

Thursday 16 February at 7.30pm in Bredfield Village Hall

MINUTES

Attendees:

Officers: Keith Derham (Chairman), David Hepper (Treasurer),
Jane Talbot (Secretary)
Elected Members: Rowland Irving, Tim Keats
Co-opted Members: Tony Bence
**Representatives of
Village Organisations:** Urda Hurst (Ladies Group), Ann Bradlaugh (Bowls Club), Nina
Nicholson (PCC and Tennis Club), Denise Causier (Social
Events and Fund Raising and Play Area),

Item 1 - Apologies

**Representatives of
Village Organisations:** Lucy Bence (BADS), Tony Bishop (Shop), Sheila Woods (Over
Sixties)
Co-opted Members: Paul Cannard

Item 2 - Minutes of the last Meeting held on Wednesday 12 October 2011

The minutes were approved and the Chairman signed them as a true record.

Item 3 - Matters Arising:

Points from the previous meeting:

Tony Bence has bought an alarm for oil tank security purposes. The alarm has a sensor and will sound if the oil level decreases quickly.

Tony has experimented with refurbishing one of the tables in the Village Hall that was cracked at a corner. Opinion was that he has made a very good job with the resin colour match. Tony will continue with the repairs.

Tony has also spoken to the Post Office about a mobile Post Office in the car park of the Village Hall and they will come back to him within the next couple of weeks.

Keith and David spoke with Denise about general fund raising for the Play Area.

As requested, Tony Bence has now started to put the minutes onto the website in their unapproved state.

Item 4 - Chairman's Report

A particularly quiet period.

Keith and David looked into joining the Pettistree PROP group which is a scheme to buy bulk oil, thus bringing the price down. Unfortunately the scheme is full at the moment.

There had been discussion with the shop about utilising the Village Hall telephone line for electronic payments systems but this is no longer a priority as the banks' proposals to abolish cheques have been scrapped.

Item 5 - Treasurer's Report

Funds currently available	Barclays Current	£2,147.60
	Barclays Deposit	£2,770.95
	NS&I	£5,046.51
	Total	£9,965.06

So far this year we have raised £1,986.66 of which £1,402.16 was by Play Area activities.

There are no outstanding bills, but we may expect the usual utility bills.

Item 6 - Refurbishment Re-evaluation

There has not been a meeting of the Refurbishment Committee since 22 June 2011. The main target is still windows and doors. Three out of four surveys have been completed and once all quotations are in the Committee should perhaps get together to discuss the way forward.

Item 7 - Play Area

The Play Area Committee has not yet met properly but Denise hopes to meet with Roswyn next week with a view to holding a Committee Meeting early in March. Denise felt it was best to raise more funds before committing to any work on the Play Area and that replacing equipment "piecemeal" was not a good idea. No grant pots for play areas from any of the local authorities were available at the present time. Major work should be undertaken when funds were in place and natural resources should be used wherever possible to help keep the costs down. Denise has already spoken to a couple of farmers to see if any large tree trunks could be sourced but she also pointed out that the play area is a fairly small area to work with.

Item 8 - Social Events and Fund Raising

This has been very quiet period due to Christmas and the New Year. Winter is not a good time for organising events but the Castle has held events with proceeds going to the Play Area.

There had been talk about organising an event over the Jubilee weekend but the Fete takes place that weekend and another event is also being organised for the village so it was decided this was not a good idea. Keith asked Denise about fund raising plans for the rest of the year. Denise will talk to Sarah about plans for events being held in the Castle and to Hassina about events relating to the Olympics.

Item 9 – AGM

The next AGM will be held on Wednesday 2 May 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Item 10 - Any other business

Dog fouling was again mentioned as an ongoing problem and Jane Talbot will arrange for a note to go into the Lantern.

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Item 11 - Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting will be decided following the AGM.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05pm