EWHURST VILLAGE HALL USERS' COMMITTEE NOTICE of a meeting of the Committee

MINUTES OF THE MEETING WEDNESDAY 14th June 7.30pm Village Hall

Attendees: Wendy Bollans John Bollans (Caretaker and booking); Angie Wimbledon (Ewcare); Jenny Elms (Horticultural Society); Chris Dews (Ewhurst Players); Rainbows End Sharron Mellors; Rosie Smy (WI)

- 1. Welcome to the meeting and thanks for attendance.
- 2. Apologies for absence: Parish Councillor Ian Davis; Nicky Fawcett Chair Ewcare.
- 3. Replacement chairs: Those attending the meeting tried out the chairs and it was agreed that the chrome framed chair of the same shape and size as the existing hall chairs was the most comfortable. 110 chairs were needed.

Kingfisher fabric colour.

Delivery after the playgroup finished for summer would be desirable. Chris Dews would investigate the disposal of the existing chairs (He later came back and thought there would be a market for them on ebay and he would be happy to advertise them for the Parish Council). ACTION CD and the Clerk

4. Invalid toilets- pipes: TC services had taken a look at the pipes and asked whether all the pipes were to be boxed or just the lower pipes. On taking a look the caretaker, playgroup and the Clerk decided the lower pipes only needed boxing in. The Clerk was to ask whether repair needed to be carried out to the wall where the pipes had been taken through to the bar area before the boxing was carried out. The boxing would hide the disrepair but it was to be looked at in case the wall needed repairing to secure safely the pipes.

SM pointed out the uneven floor in the right hand passage way passed the stage. This was looked at and it was decided this was a straight forward repair that TC services could be asked to carry out at the same time as the boxing in of the pipes. Once the floor was repaired a replacement carpet floor tile could be stuck down as the existing was damaged due to the loose floor.

- 5. Any other matters:
- i) The work that CJB had carried out in the toilets was inspected by the Clerk and the caretaker.
 - One of the ladies toilet seats was not the right size, the other was loose.
 - In the men's toilet where CJB had to come back to replace the urinal as they had broken the
 first they broke the boxing around the pipes to fit the new urinal in. This has not been replaced
 by CJB.
 - The sink in the men's toilet is leaking
 - The urinals are pouring water every five minutes or so and this rate of flushing needs to be reduced to two or three times daily.
 - ACTION Clerk to write to CJB regarding these issues.
- ii) There were several windows that needed attention.

- In the main hall where the electrical and lighting works were positioned upstairs at the front of the hall nearest the road and stone had either been thrown or been projected up by a vehicle breaking a window pane that needs replacing.
- In the ladies toilet there is a cracked window that needs the pane replacing
- In the green room the window has been sealed by being painted this needs work done ion it to enable it to be opened as it gets very hot in the green room.
- The window in the men's toilet is rotten and needs replacing.
 ACTION Clerk to ask obtain a quote and ask the Parish Council for budget to attend to these matters
- iii) Out of the main hall in the corridors into the green room and in the toilet areas the walls and remaining older windows were in great need of redecoration. Works to the toilet area had left unsightly marks on the walls and woodwork was noticeably chipped. It generally had a feel of disrepair. The Playgroup was ashamed of this area when showing parents around the playgroup facilities.

 ACTION Clerk to obtain a quote for including a budget in the next precept to redecorate this area.
- iv) The kettle was leaking in the kitchen and swing bins were needed in the toilets for the paper hand towels to replace the broken bins. ACTION- Wendy the caretaker would buy replacements.
- v) The hoover was in need of replacement being stuck together in certain areas by masking tape. ACTION -The Clerk would buy a replacement.
- vi) A year or more ago the green room carpet had been cleaned but it was now looking a smelling very much worse for wear. It depressed this room. The playgroup and Players were thinking a hard flooring would be better which could be easily cleaned and would be harder wearing than a carpet. A flooring that did not have cracks such as a hard lino.

ACTION- The Clerk would ask Cllr Fawcett to look at this and obtain a quote for inclusion in the precept next year.

vii) Village Car park Parking:

This continued to be a problem and the garage were to once again be asked to park their cars at the recreation car park. The Clerk would put sticky notices on the persistent vehicles. ACTION Clerk

- viii) Smoke alarms or lack of were mentioned. The Clerk would contact the fire brigade to discuss fitment of these. ACTION Clerk
- 6. Date of next meeting.- The next meeting would be called as required but the Clerk would ask in September whether a meeting was needed then.

The meeting closed at 8.20pm but was followed by an inspection of the matters brought up at the meeting.

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