

**Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting  
Held at 7.30pm on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2015  
In the Annexe**

**Present:**

Andy Morgan (AM), Val Jevans (VJ), John Jevans (JJ), Gail Allen (GA), John Mahood (JM), Jill Clarke (JC), Margaret Pearse (MP), Pat Wood (PW)

**John Yeoman (JY)** attended as the Parish Council Representative

**Apologies:** Alan Purchase (AP)

**The Minutes of the last Meeting** were approved by the Committee and signed by the Chairman.

**There were no Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered by reports below:**

**Chairman's Report:**

**Coin Meter:** AM has not yet been able to take the Electricity Coin Meter to Torquay for converting to £1 coins but intends to do this after the KATS hiring. It was noted that JM has now taken on the role of weekly meter reading and queried the purpose for this. It is necessary to ensure that we are charging the correct rates when we have hirers using larger quantities of electricity for lighting, sound effects etc. **Action: AM**

**Old Pavilion Repair:** AM has managed to ensure the pavilion is now waterproofed but it is necessary to effect a proper repair in due course.

**Project Plan:** The committee was asked to consider a plan of projects needed to be undertaken and to come to the next MVH meeting with their 'wish list' so that these could be prioritised. **Action: All**

**Treasurer's Report**

As MUFC have no intention of paying the 2013 invoice re TurfGuard and, in view of the fact that there is no documentary evidence to prove that they had agreed to do so, the committee approved the proposal that this invoice should be cancelled. Proposed: Andy Morgan, Seconded: Val Jevans. **Action: AP**

GA had queried whether or not a thank you letter had been sent to the family of Mrs Leach for the generous legacy of recently received by MVH & PFA, and agreed to undertake this on behalf of the Charity. PW pointed out that Mrs Leach and her Husband had done a tremendous amount of work for the Hall and that it would be good if the legacy could go towards a definite project. **Action: GA**

**Secretary's Report:**

**Table Tennis Table.** A buyer has now been found for this and has been sold for £60. The money has been given to Fred Allen at the Baptist Youth Club to go towards funds for the youngsters' equipment.

**Cumber Close Closure.** Geoff Allen(DGA) had closed the footpath entrance to Cumber from MVH&PFA land between approx. 18.00 on Thursday 12/02/14 to 18.00 on Friday 13/02/14. Despite the fact that a barrier had been tied in place - complete with notices on both sides explaining the need for the closure, the fastening rope had been cut and the barrier moved aside by the time DGA went to remove it on Friday 13<sup>th</sup>. AM to contact the Cumber Residents Association to let them know this had happened. **Action: AM**

MP asked if GA could provide any documentation which would confirm that it is necessary for this to happen on an annual basis. **Action: GA**

JY queried the need for this to happen at all.

**School Equipment in Main Hall.** The PTFA of Malborough School has been unable to find a buyer for the Climbing Bars or a Scrap Yard which would be prepared to give money for this item. They now have to decide whether or not to just dispose of it.

**Repaired Upper Window in Hall.** GA is waiting for Paignton Glass to investigate. **Action: GA**

**Sally Barker Concert.** Kingsbridge Information Centre rang to say they still had £30 in ticket money which had not been collected following the cancellation of the concert. As they had no record who the tickets

were sold to and despite various appeals to the public, this money has now been collected by GA and given it to AP. It can thus be paid into MVH account and be available if anyone should come forward (given the time which has passed this is probably very unlikely.)

**Village Fete – 20<sup>th</sup> June.** Work is progressing on this and so far have the following confirmed:

Bouncy Castle, Raffle, Maypole Dancing, Local History Exhibition, Football Game, Tombola, Craft Tables, Reflexology Sessions, Flower Club Stall, Ice Creams, Lucy Dip, Pimms and Summer Cocktail Tent, KM Table with info and merchandise, Coconut Shy, Childrens Sports, Produce Stall, Bowl for a Pig.

Am awaiting details / manning of: Cream Teas/ Ploughmans, BBQ, School & Pre-School Stalls and Bar.

Joe Sterry and friends have agreed to play their lovely music in the Hall for some of the afternoon.

Anyone with ideas or offers of help would be appreciated.

**Action: GA**

**Plymouth Gilbert & Sullivan Fellowship.** GA has now heard from their Concert Manager – Ross Ayling – who has asked if they could come in January/February 2016 to present Iolanthe. Rather than conflict with MAD Panto it was thought that end of Feb would be better. GA to ask if they could make Feb 20<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 2016.

**Action: GA**

**Natalie Yeoman Claim.** We received an email from the Loss Adjuster appointed by the MVH Insurers on the 26<sup>th</sup> February asking for various items of paperwork. All of this information is now gathered and will be sent off by GA. **(Post Meeting Note – this has been done with the exception of one awaited certificate, as of 12.3.15)**

**Action: GA**

**Scrapstore.** GA had been approached by the Kingsbridge Scrapstore to see if MVH would be interested in taking on this venture which involves contacting companies wishing to dispose of the end of line craft / cardboard items etc. As this would involve a fair amount of organising and available storage space then it was decided this was not something MVH would be able to sustain. GA to contact to decline.

**Action: GA**

**Fred Allen of the Baptist Youth Club** has asked if the Friday night Baptist Youth Club could, once the nights become lighter, bring youngsters across to the Hall grounds to play games (cricket and the like) on the grass areas outside the Hall and to possibly have a BBQ. The Committee was in agreement with this but it would be necessary for the Youth Club to extend their insurance to cover this activity and, should they have a BBQ, it was felt a gas BBQ – on the concrete by the Hall is preferable (hot charcoal would be left smouldering and could be a health and safety risk). The Youth Club would need to advise VJ if a BBQ is to be held to ensure there is no conflict with Hall hirers.

**Action: GA**

### Facilities

As previously stated JM has undertaken the doing meter readings.

### Sports:

**Tennis Coaching:** Patrick Parfitt (LTA Coach) has been in touch regarding tennis coaching. He is involved in a South Hams Parks Tennis initiative in partnership with Active Devon with the aim to get as many people as possible playing tennis – both youngsters and adults. He is proposing that:

- **Sundays 10 to 11am Open Session for Juniors at £1/Hr commencing on Sun 29th March to run every week during the Summer (unless otherwise advised).** (JM asked if JJ could send info to Malborough in Touch). **Action: JJ**
- **Additional Junior Sessions in small groups of 4 during the week by prior arrangement at £2.50 per person (reflecting the more individual attention it will be possible to give).**
- **A key additional aim will be to get adults playing and is hoping to send a letter to parents with the permission of the School.**

The Committee approval was granted for this to go ahead and it was suggested that annual subscription keyholders should be notified and, in addition, an article should go into the Messenger.

**Action: JJ**

JJ will discuss the possibility of a Six a Side Cricket Match with the Moonrakers CC Captain at the next meeting. This would be better happening on a Sunday.

**Action: JJ**

### Booking Officer:

Salcombe Brownies have booked Fri 5<sup>th</sup> June for an Abba tribute band with a 2 course supper for £28.

VJ has suggested that she looks into the possibility of having the artist, Simon Drew, to come to the Annexe to give a talk on his life and for MVH to run a bar. VJ to check the charges involved. **Action: VJ**  
Wwe have been asked if we could hold a Car Boot Sale (if wet in the Hall). VJ will check to see Hall availability and AM will check matches for end of April on a Sunday morning **Action: AM / VJ**

### **Hall Roof:**

We have not yet heard officially from SHDC regarding the amount we have been awarded by the Community Reinvestment Project Fund.

GA asked if the Committee was willing to give approval (on behalf of MVH & PFA) for the work to go ahead on replacing the roof once the funding was confirmed. The Committee was asked if they were willing to endorse the recommendation of the evaluation panel (Debbie Ede, John Yeoman, Keith Makepeace, Geoff Allen and Gail Allen) and to delegate responsibility for further negotiations regarding the contract if it is necessary to do this before the next MVH & PFA meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> April. Proposed by Andy Morgan  
Seconded by John Jevans.

GA asked that Committee confirmed the choice of roof tiles from the sample on view at the meeting and there was a majority vote for the Redland Regent in Tudor Brown.

### **KM**

A meeting had been arranged for an informal discussion between representatives of KM and MVH on March 4th. Just prior to that meeting a detailed Agenda had been sent out by Madge Bailey and it was felt that the items on this agenda warranted further discussion by MVH before the meeting could take place. With new people now involved with KM who are unaware of previous history then this will be the reason for the discussion items now being raised. However, it was felt that it is necessary for KM to have a representative on the MVH & PFA Committee to ensure that KM have a voice in the workings of the charity and any queries KM have can be directed through this representative. JJ will arrange for another date for a meeting for informal discussion with the agenda being set by MVH. **Action: JJ**

### **Gang Mowers**

Alan from DGM had contacted Tony Lyle regarding gang mowers. He had felt that having inspected our gang mowers they were very worn and was offering a reconditioned set priced at £2,500. The gangs being offered are 5-bladed ones which are more suitable for Football Pitches but not short-cut Cricket outfield. DGA has spoken to Alan (on behalf of MVH) about these gangs and explained that we have no available funding for purchases such as this. Alan of DGM is aware that he needs to charge MVH for the 1 gang replaced last summer and would be letting us know the cost of this. (So far, nothing heard on this.) AM noted that we had taken our gangs to DGM for repair and these have been left to rust. This fact should be taken into account when Alan lets us have a price for the loaned gangs.

### **MVH Signatories**

As AP is moving house it was decided that the change of signatories should happen when his new address is known. JJ agreed to become a signatory. **Action: AP**

### **Any Other Business:**

**Chairs:** PW had discovered another chair with the under fabric damaged and had repaired this with a stapler. GA to check the guarantee to see if we need to pursue this. PW suggests it might be an idea to have a stapler in stock in the Hall for future repairs? **Action: GA**

**Parking on Collaton Road:** JY queried how parking in the Collaton Road could be improved on match days or during large events in the Hall. Further turfguard areas may not necessarily be the solution as these areas would need to be roped off to prevent cars straying onto areas not reinforced. Additional parking to go onto 'Wish List' for Project.

**40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of MVH & PFA:** GA asked if PW knew the actual date of the building of the Hall as the relevant Minute Book was not in the archives. PW to check with Brian Taylor, who was involved at the time, to see if he had any information. **Action: PW**

**Noticeboard:** GA has asked if the Noticeboard by the hedge could be updated and a permanent sign placed in the poster section of that noticeboard. This needs to be full size and with good size lettering – most posters are not visible. GA to see what OTM can produce. JY suggested that we could include the Grid Reference which would help emergency services. **Action: GA**

**Conifers:** GA has asked if the 22 conifers alongside Collaton Road could be removed along with the stumps. Andrew Marsh has quoted £1110 for the removal of the 22 conifers, removal of stumps, removal of brash to bonfire site and cutting up of the trunks into 4' lengths (which would be left on site for removal by interested parties). Once the funding for the roof has been confirmed, it was agreed that it would be a good idea to proceed with this. We may then consider putting up a new fence and remove the brambles along the top of the bank to improve the visual impact of the site. **Action: GA**

**Use of Car Park** – VJ had spoken to a lorry driver who was found unloading pallets onto our car park for collection by another lorry. This was apparently because the narrow lanes prevented large vehicles reaching the destination in Rew/Combe. It was agreed that, in future, he would contact VJ and arrange to pay the £10 fee.

**Dogs on Field.** VJ had discovered a dog walker crossing the playing fields who apparently felt she was not doing anything wrong because she had always done so and always picked up after her dog.

JJ has left a message with Tracey Weaver(TW) re dogs on playing fields during football matches enquiring whether or not she could visit Malborough on a Sunday whilst matches are being played. TW is currently on leave, returning on the 18<sup>th</sup> March.

***The meeting closed at 21.10hrs***

***The next meeting will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015***