Minutes for Beaumont Parish Hall Committee Meeting on Wednesday 23rd May.

**Present:**

Committee: Harold Bowron (chair), Henry Salkeld, Maria Nichol, Michelle Dickinson, Bryony Kirk, Geoff Ramshaw, Julie Irving, Gill Grey,

Non-committee: Albinas Stasaitis (Minutes secretary), Kathleen Bowron

**Apologies:**  Malcolm Cotter,

1. **Minutes of last meeting.**

The minutes from the last meeting were approved. Harold to retain his signed copy. **Harold**

1. **Matters arising**.

None.

1. **Recent Past Events**

Monthly Coffee Morning: Friday 4th May

Donations given: £62.22 Charity: Neuroendocrine Tumour (NET) Cancer (£2.50 books)

Authentic Curry and Quiz Night: Sat 15th May

Good evening, 89 tickets sold, plus 2 take-aways. £890 profit. (Final amount notified after the meeting). Excess cans of drink to be sold at 50p per can, wine to be kept as raffle prizes for future events (3 white + 1 rose). Quizzes went well but the food was served cool due to oven problems.

1. **Forthcoming events.**

Monthly Coffee Morning: Next coffee morning is on Friday 1st June.

Charity: Neuroendocrine Tumour (NET) Cancer

Summer August Sunday Afternoon Teas

Notices in Parish Magazine / website / Facebook **Albinas / Michelle**

5 Aug: Geoff, Harold, Bryony (Shared with the PC)

12 Aug: Gill, Michelle,

19 Aug: Julie, Maria,

26 Aug: Michelle, Gill,

Contact MaryAnn to see if she can help. **Gill**

Contact Liz Morton to see if she can help. **Bryony**

Flower and Produce Show: September 15th

Class schedule and prices to go in Parish Magazine / website / Facebook. **Albinas / Michelle**

Notes on the meeting with Oonagh has been emailed to committee together with the revised class schedule.

Admission: £3.50 Adults, £2 children including tea and cakes.

Prices per exhibit: Adult £1, Children £50p (Late entry £2 adults, £1 children)

Rota for afternoon teas: Discuss at next meeting, nearer the date.

Ceilidh/Valentine’s Dance: Saturday 16th February 2019

No further information.

Auction of promises: October 2019

Charity: Same as last time, Jigsaw appeal. Gill to sort a flier for advertising / promises.

Classes:

Proposed that classes are given by tutors for a short season of 6 – 8 weeks, tutor hired/paid by the hall on an

hourly rate, tickets for the classes sold in advance to ensure profitability.

Bryony has contacted a Pilates teacher. Awaiting a response.

Ann Philips stable management classes? **Bryony**

Kick boxing? **Gill**

1. **The New Hall (Charitable Incorporated Organisation)**

Change to CIO

The signed transfer document has now been received. This needs to be sent to the Charities commission but CIO bank accounts are required first. Registration document for the small piece of land received, still waiting for the registration document for the hall field.

Transfer accounts to Cumberland Building Society. **Julie**

New Hall

Meeting was held with the architect. Minutes have been previously circulated.

Architect to come back to us with a rough outline of the design in a few weeks.

In futures approach Tesco / Asda with counter drop for funding opportunity.

Lottery Fund

Harold and Bryony went to a meeting with the Big Lottery Fund.

Funding criteria: i) Stronger relationships, ii) Shared and sustainable places, iii) Early intervention.

Funding by area. They prefer to come along at earlier stages of planning to make things easier for grant applications, ask for them to come along for their input before the plan is finalised. Await the drawings with some costings before inviting them.

Ideas for new events: Alzheimer’s / diabetes discussion information groups.

Displayed List of Donors and sponsors

Donor to be approached **Harold**

Proposal to erect a thermometer outside the hall to show fundraising status and the target. Wait until we have the costings.

1. **Wildlife garden.**

Report from Malcolm:

The pavilion site has now been back filled with top soil thanks to Kelly Baxter who brought us a trailer load of

soil. I have put some grass seed down on it, but it will probably need more as the Rabbits have been quite busy.

I am in possession of the new bench which is in my back garden. I'll look to get it installed when the site has

grown up a bit later in the year. I have the new litter sign ordered and it will probably be arriving this week.

The council grant will pay for this.

There is a new cycle of Greggs Environmental Grants open until mid-June and I will be making an application

hopefully for an interpretation board. The Co-Op grants are currently not available at the moment, but I'll

monitor when they next open.

Friends of the Lake District have been updated and want to feature the project in their next newsletter. I

have supplied them with the photographs etc. that they need. Albinas has the website up to date.

Could I possibly request £50 from hall funds to buy some grass seed? I will use it to top up the pavilion site

and put some down on the old bonfire site to try and make it better for the summer. Whilst we are awaiting

some funding for a potential path into the Wildlife Garden I thought I would re-instate a grass path to

provide some access. I'll cut it if necessary. £30 would buy just about enough, but I can get twice as much for

£50 which we can keep and use as required. I will build this into a funding app and hopefully get it back at

some stage.

Consensus was to ask a local farmer for a bag of seed for free. Henry is due to see his supplier this week and will ask him. **Henry**

Julie asks if the old lawn tennis club sign may be retained and displayed for historical purposes.

1. **Booking secretary’s report.**

Bryony had previously circulated the report.

1. **Treasurer’s report**

Since the last meeting grants of £1380 were received from Beaumont Parish Council, a £300 annual grant, £840 towards the cost of the grass cutting and £240 towards the upkeep of the Play Area.

Cheques were sent for the Aprils grass cutting, the purchase of a bench for the Wildlife Garden and Bains Wilson for the change of status of the hall.

Due to the grants being received in advance this has resulted in a surplus of £210.32 of Income over Expenditure for the period 1 April to 23 May 2018. Reserves at this date were £36,556.

Insurance premium:

Amend the policy to show approximate values: Buildings: £140,000, Shed: £8000, Play area: £20,000, Contents/fittings: £14000, Marquee £600, and remove other redundant items.

1. **Maintenance**

Kitchen door: This has now been re-fixed.

On the back wall two timber pieces are missing, exposing frame timber. Contact joiner to fix. **Bryony**

Starling has nested in end wall, board over the hole once the birds have fledged. **Malcolm**

Hall walls need to be creosoted. Contact Chris Crabtree to see if he is able to do this. **Bryony**

1. **Fundraising and Grants**

See “The New Hall” above.

1. **Correspondence.**

None

1. **Any other Competent Business.**

None

Harold closed the meeting at 9.06 pm

**Date of next meeting: Wednesday 27th June at 7:30 pm**