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Minutes of Committee Meeting 4th February 2010

Attendance: Paul Oldring – Chairman
Chris Hutchins – Treasurer
Bill Fry – Football
Steve Fionda – Caretaker
Lynne Hutchins – Secretary
Jill Hamilton – Booking Clerk
Odette Henderson - Fundraising

Apologies:

Alan Spalding

Treasurer's report: Accounts: stand at £17,078.29, which is about the same as last month. Electricity winter bill has been paid £311.96, this was an estimate, approx £290.00 to be paid on the next bill. Income from this period was £913.00, which includes £250.00 from user groups, this reflects the reason for the high electricity bill, during the recent extremely cold snap. Chris stated that he is monitoring the electricity use to review rental charges for the next financial year, because this is the first year with the new ceiling in place.

BT broadband, Chris and Steve are looking into the viability of the hall having broadband with the view of attracting more commercial use by companies for meetings and presentations etc.

There is a review of the bar licensing rules being changed, Chris will be attending a meeting on 23rd Feb to find out more about this.

Fundraising Report: Odette said that Fiona Patterson is organising a quiz on the 27th Feb in the hall and they are going to be involved with the fete, which Zoe Priddis is chairing, they have a provisional date of Sunday 27th June. Anybody wishing to be involved with this should e-mail her on the following zoepriddis@hotmail.com

Booking Clerks Report: Jill reported bookings for this year are very good; we have three wedding receptions and one christening booked and possibly a new user group. She also asked could we replace the old broken freezer in the Kingsmill room, with a new one, as people are requesting one to store their food in for events. She also asked if it would be possible to get an outside power socket fitted as people booking wedding receptions etc have requested the use of them. Steve said he would speak to Stuart Burns about this, he is also dealing with replacing the coin meter used to heat the Kingsmill room, which shorted out recently.

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Caretaker's Report: Steve reported that a local electrician was in the process of installing a new coin meter for the infrared heaters plus low energy spotlights and various indoor and outdoor sockets for us. We would like to thank Stuart Burns for giving his time to carry out this work.

Football Report: Bill Fry is in the process of buying a replacement compact tractor with the old red one going in part exchange. Paul Oldring suggested that we should get a new container to keep the tractor and other playingfield equipment in, which will help stop vandalism of the tractor and also keep it in a more serviceable condition. The container when purchased will be placed on the grass opposite the front door of the hall and moved onto the playing fields as soon as the weather conditions allow, probably in the summer when the ground has dried out

Bill Fry is looking into the possibility of adapting the changing rooms to allow four teams to use them at the same time, which will mean that both pitches can be used simultaneously.

Bill Fry will attempt to find out what grants are available from sports foundations to help with the costing of this.

Paul Oldring said he was going to look into the possibility of making an all weather sports facility of approx 40m x 30m on the far side of the playing fields behind the play park. We believe that there is a large call for this type of facility, which could also include an all weather wicket in the centre of the field making our sport facilities attractive to all different sports.

It was brought up by Lynne Hutchins that the Kingsmill room could do with a fresh coat of paint on the walls and ceiling this will be carried out when the weather gets warmer.

The next meeting will be held on Thurs 4th March at 7.30pm in the hall.

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