Minutes of Beaumont Parish Hall Committee Meeting on Wednesday 28th February

**Present:**

Committee: Harold (chair), Geoff, Bryony, Gill, Julie, Tom, Maria, Henry,

Non-committee: Albinas,

**Apologies:** Malcolm, Michelle, MaryAnn,

1. **Welcome and Apologies.**

Harold welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **Minutes of last meeting.**

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

1. **Matters arising**.

Maps

Bryony still plans to go to the Carlisle archives to see if there is a suitable map for the wall. **Bryony**

Booking spaces

Bryony still to contact. **Bryony**

1. **Recent Past Events**

Monthly Coffee Morning: Friday 1st February

Donations given: £61. Charity: Indonesian Tsunami Appeal. Books: £2

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

32 tickets sold. Entry: £290 profit after licence and other expenses, books £3

Cards to say thank you for Kathleen, Judith, Glynis, and Solway Band. **Harold/Bryony**

1. **Forthcoming events.**

Monthly Coffee Morning: Friday 1st March

Charity: Penrith Mountain Rescue Team.

Beetle Drive: Saturday 9th March 7 pm

Advert to go on Facebook/Parish Magazine **Michelle/Albinas**

Elsie to run.

Prizes for winners **Elsie/Bryony**

Raffle prizes for children **Kathleen**

Raffle prizes required **All**

Washing up: **Geoff, Bryony, Albinas**

Car Boot Sale Morning Sunday 19th May

10 am – 2 pm. Set up from 8 am.

Food: Light refreshments

Advert on website/Parish Magazine. Advert will not be in Parish Magazine until April’s issue. Need to advertise widely. Radio Cumbria, News and Star, etc. **Harold/Albinas/Michelle**

Advise to pre-book pitch. Charges: £5 car, £7 van.

20p entrance at the gate

Decide about tables in the hall in the event of rain. **Malcolm/Michelle**

Auction of promises: Saturday 19th October 2019

Proceeds will be shared between the Hall and Eden Valley Hospice (Jigsaw).

Gill said she’d already received 59 promises. Advert in Parish Mag not to ask for promises at this stage.  **Albinas**

Message from Malcolm: I've started with my approaches for the Auction of Promises, although I haven't any donations yet I am awaiting some replies. The only issue I have found is that the large national companies seem to have a policy of adopting a corporate charity, and that is the only one that the local branches are permitted to support.

1. **The New Hall Plans**

Bryony has contacted the architects with the revisions to the latest plans. Now awaiting new drawings. Once the concept drawings have arrived, they will be sent to Historic England to see how much digging will be required and then start the tendering process.

1. **Wildlife garden.**

Chris Bolton has kindly donated some timber to fix the benches, so Malcolm hopes to start installing them in the next week or so. The other materials will be obtained and paid for from Judith's donation. There will be money left over for the hall.

1. **Booking secretary’s report.**

Bryony had previously circulated the report.

February was very busy. Youth Club return in March.

Young farmers may be coming back to the hall on a more regular basis. They have arranged security for their event on 29th March. It was agreed that the mural and notice boards may not be taken down. **Bryony**

1. **Treasurer’s report**

Electricity suppliers (EON) have agreed to repay the hall the credit of the over-payments and VAT rebate. Supplier can to be changed in May if a lower tariff can be found.

Fishermen have been invoiced for the annual parking fee – awaiting to see if they will continue this year.

Friends of the Lake District have sent their grant and this has been paid to the wildflower supplier.

This year’s normal running costs break even with revenue from normal events in the hall.

New Hall fund is stable with outgoings similar to receipts.

New charity number needed. **Bryony**

1. **Maintenance**

Creosote walls

Await better weather.

Swing

Now been repaired.

Floor

Bryony has done some remedial work.

Bonfire site

Bonfire area needs to be cleared. Rake up metalwork and ash. Possibly Tuesday 5th March. **Harold/Geoff**

1. **Fundraising and Grants**

Nothing new.

1. **Correspondence.**

None

1. **Any other Competent Business.**

Grass cutting tenders 2019

Two responses: £60 per cut (plus mole removal) or £70 per cut. Contact contractors with results. **Albinas**

Lavatory:

Portaloo again to be placed on site from April. PC to pay.

The meeting was closed at 8.25 pm.

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