

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING OF DUDDENHOE END VILLAGE
HALL HELD FRIDAY 13 MAY 2011
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8.00PM

PRESENT

Bob Reich- Chairman

Martin Bach

Jennifer Clifton

Philip Clifton

Jane Guy – Treasurer and Acting Secretary

Roberta Pearce

Susanne Reich

Also in attendance: Jonathan Adams, Brian Barker, Dianne Bond, Nigel Bond, Jane Evans, John Evans, Carolyn Hughes, John Hughes, Trevor Guy, John McAdams, Sandy McAdams and Laura Scarlett.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Zoë Broughton, Helen Donaldson and Diane Schwieger

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 26 May 2010 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reported on the events of 2010 -11 as follows:

- a) Spring Clean
- b) Village Games
- b) Village Walks
- c) Harvest Supper
- d) Christmas Lights
- e) Quiz n Curry
- f) Wine Tasting

Bob thanked individual members of the committee for their dedicated support. The committee was stretched at the Village Games, for example, but had learnt valuable lessons in when to ask for help in the future.

There had been praise for the quality of the food at the Harvest Supper and comments in favour of the return to the traditional format for this event. The Wine Tasting had proved an excellent event; so good that no one wanted to go home.

The re-vamped Web Site was a success, the Chairman urged all present to log on to www.devh.org and to encourage others to do so.

He reported that the committee was intending to produce a similar programme of events for the coming year with emphasis on the 80th Birthday celebrations.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Jane submitted a schedule of accounts for 2010-2011, copy appended to these minutes. The accounts for 2010-2011 were approved. The treasurer, on behalf of the committee thanked the organizations that had given grants to the Village Hall, particularly the Essex Community Foundation (funding for tables and chairs) and the Parish Council (Crockery).

Some additional income had been received from links to the Web site Village Shop; Brian Viney of Lower Pond Street had generously donated a percentage of sales from his tool company made through links to the web site. Carolyn Hughes confirmed that the Hamlet Church had also benefited from his generosity in this way.

5. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE 2011-2012

The committee members were happy to stand for 2011-2012 if elected, new members were needed. The whole committee was nominated by Nigel Bond and unanimously seconded by all present. Helen Donaldson (in absentia) was nominated by Philip Clifton, seconded by Dianne Bond and Jane Evans was nominated by Sandy McAdams and seconded by Trevor Guy.

6. SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE EVENTS

- a) Cleaning Party:
- b) Drinks Evenings:
- c) Village Walks:
- d) Midsummer Games:
- e) Harvest Supper:
- f) 80th Birthday Bash
- g) Christmas Lights: This will be arranged for a Sunday afternoon early in December

7. GRANT APPLICATIONS

Martin reported on the progress made in seeking grant support for much need repairs/renovations to the Hall. He advised that the committee were mindful that a piecemeal approach might be necessary but that there should be an overall goal in ensuring that the hall survives a further 80 years.

Replacement of the windows is a first priority. Quotes had been sought for window replacements and from local builders to improve the interior walls. Grants were being sought from several organizations; some requiring matched funding and some able to give smaller amounts, which could support the larger grants.

There were several suggestions of sources for funding from the floor. Martin acknowledged that all possible sources of finance would be approached, provided the Hall was a suitable cause for their largesse.

8. PARKING AND PLANTING

At the last AGM it had been reported that some planting would take place at the Village Hall in memoriam for several villagers, this had not yet occurred as there were several landscape issues to be resolved first – namely the pot holes on the entrance and the overall parking provision. Approached have been made, via the Parish council to, Essex County Council regarding the surface.

9. USES FOR THE VILLAGE HALL

Sandy McAdams advised on progress for a regular Art Class and Susanne reminded villagers that she was keen to promote a Pilates class. Both uses had been 'advertised' in the Gazette.

The business meeting closed at 8.50 pm

DUDDENHOE END VILLAGE HALL

YEAR END 31/03/11

CURRENT ACCOUNT					
INCOME	2010-2011	2009-2010	EXPENDITURE	2010-2011	2009-2010
QUIZ NIGHT	£ 565.00	£ 510.00	QUIZ NIGHT	£ 175.00	£ 200.00
CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	£ -	£ 50.00	CHRISTMAS LIGHTS	£ -	£ -
HARVEST SUPPER	£ 739.00	£ 790.00	HARVEST SUPPER	£ 213.00	£ 250.00
EASTER FUN DAY*	£ -	£ 102.00	EASTER FUN DAY	£ -	£ -
VILLAGE GAMES	£ 169.50	£ -	VILLAGE GAMES	£ 82.70	£ -
WINE TASTING	£ 969.70	£ -	WINE TASTING	£ 655.00	£ -
EVENTS	£ 2,443.20	£ 1,452.00	EVENTS	£ 1,125.70	£ 450.00
WEB SHOP	£ 100.00	£ -	FEES	£ 35.00	£ -
SALE OF OLD FURNITURE	£ 50.00	£ -	HEALTH & SAFETY	£ 92.53	£ 124.09
REFUND (TABLES)	£ 9.17	£ -	FENCING	£ -	£ 225.00
HIRE FEES	£ 1,976.00	£ 1,431.00	GROUND WORKS	£ -	£ 1,207.50
GRANTS	£ 2,128.00	£ -	EQUIPMENT	£ 2,319.13	£ -
GIFT	£ -	£ 500.00	INSURANCE	£ 844.67	£ 824.77
DONATIONS	£ 21.72	£ 10.00	LICENCE	£ 63.00	£ -
			MAINTENANCE	£ 596.00	£ 520.50
			ELECTRICITY	£ 345.11	£ 438.22
			WATER	£ 39.43	£ 37.59
TOTAL INCOME	£ 6,728.09	£ 3,393.00	TOTAL EXP	£ 5,460.57	£ 3,827.67
			PLUS UNCLEARED DEBITS	£ 405.30	£ -
			CURRENT ACCOUNT BAL BOUGHT FORWARD	£ 1,295.08	£ 1,729.75
			NETT INCOME	£ 1,267.52	-£ 434.67
			CARRIED FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR	£ 2,967.90	£ 1,295.08
OTHER ACCOUNTS/MONIES		INTEREST EARNED			
SAFFRON WALDEN BUILDING SOC	£ 0.28			£ 279.50	£ 279.22
NAT WEST RESERVE	£ 0.24			£ 467.75	£ 467.51
PETTY CASH				£ 50.00	£ 50.00
TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS				£ 3,765.15	£ 2,091.81

* EASTER 2009 IN 2009-2010 FINANCIAL YEAR

PREPARED BY JANE GUY

APRIL 2011