

MINUTES OF THE MEETING AT THE MILNER INSTITUTE
WEDNESDAY 19TH JANUARY 2011

PRESENT: - Revd Canon David Felix (Chairman), Jean Griffin, (vice chair), Jemima Cornish, Lynda Hankey, Judith Helsby, Carole Hodgkinson, Sylvia Leitch, Helen Longmore, Dianne Ross, Tom Rossmueller, Roger Squires, Pam Taylor- Floyd.

APOLOGIES: - Brian Griffin, Alan Jones, Lilian Morris, Julie Priestner, Jane Willis.

1. **OPENING REMARKS.** David Felix welcomed all present to the meeting.

2. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 2ND NOVEMBER 2010**

These were accepted as a true record and signed accordingly.

3. **MATTERS ARISING**

(a) Suitable material to produce a curtain to cover the murals at the back of the stage has been found. Jemima to follow up and purchase together with a suitable suspension device.

(b) Alternative steps for the stage have been investigated but a replacement was considered too expensive.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Carole distributed an Income and expenditure sheet up to November. Whilst this indicated a shortfall of some £2000, it was pointed out that two major costs of this year, viz the landscaping and roofing, were one-off items and would not be repeated this year.

Otherwise the books are just in balance.

Rent for the use of the Hall would be increased from April 2011, for local users to £9 and to £18 for outside parties and private events.

5. **HALL MANAGER'S REPORT**

Jemima had written to all User Groups requesting they left the Hall in good condition on leaving, and listed their responsibilities. The letter, which was shown to all the committee was fully accepted. Unfortunately the response by certain users had not been appropriate and David would follow up where necessary.

There had been indications of leaking and wet areas in the Gents toilet which may have been caused due to outside problems. Jemima would contact John Crumplin and ask him to investigate.

David thanked Jemima for all the work she put in for the Hall.

6. **GRANTS**

Following a meeting of the Cheshire Community Action Village Hall Group at which Sylvia and Jemima attended, it was learnt that in future grants would only be made available to organisations in deprived areas and would depend on the postcode in which they were located. Natalie had confirmed that a grant she was hoping for to "benefit the children" would not be forthcoming.

7. **FILM SHOW** – Dianne outlined the present situation regarding the showing of films at the Milner. She and Sylvia are in discussions with Roy Kirkpatrick regarding

acquiring various items of equipment. Film evenings will be on the first Friday in Feb, March, April, Oct, Nov, Dec 2011

8. QUIZ NIGHT AND HOT POT SUPPER 19TH FEBRUARY

Roger outlined the format for the Quiz Night which was to raise funds for the Milner and Daresbury Church. Details were in the recent Moore Parish Council Newsletter and the Village Shop. He hoped there would be good support from the committee.

9. A.O.B.

(a) David reminded everyone that the “Milner Weekend” would be on the 23/24 July with a dance on the Saturday and a service on the Sunday morning..

(b) Jean raised the question of who pays for the Milner Christmas Tree? This would be included in the September Agenda and discussed.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 4th May 2011 at 7.45 pm at the Milner

11. 50/50 CLUB DRAW

The draw for January was then made with details to go in the Moore Village shop and in the Milner.

1 st prize £50	Rev David Felix
2 nd prize £25	Edward Benson
3 rd prize £12	Susan Shone