

Royal Four Towns Hall Association

Minutes of the meeting held on

Monday 3 August 2015

Those present: Nick Bass, Jenny Campbell, Malcolm Wade, Peter Barlow, Teresa McColm, Ellen Hyslop, Jeanette Carmichael, Anne Fairn

Apologies: Margaret Byrne, Dick Byrne, Graham Anderson, Gillian Frazer

Minutes of the previous meeting: Taken as read; proposed by TMcC, seconded by JC.

Matters arising: PB asked about his update on the Craft Fair; in its absence at the previous meeting, he then reported the present status: All 6ft and 8ft tables are provisionally booked for both days. Seven stallholders have paid in full ie £120.00, while 13 have paid deposits ie £130, now with the treasurer. PB has started a reserve list on which there are two crafters. Margaret Byrnes has agreed to supervise the catering. Adverts have been inserted in D&G Life upcoming events.

MW reported a bill has been received from Scottish Water for £675 pa as per the meter. A second bill was received for £3. He is investigating.

NB has applied for charitable status and requested documentation re. the original deeds and constitution for the Hall. It is thought that McJerrrow and Stevenson have the deeds and possibly the original constitution. Apparently there are no records from 1910 – 1935.

FS was unable to attend this meeting to discuss the upkeep of the garden.

Treasurer's report: MW reported that July has been a quiet month. £2000.00 belonging to the Unders 5s has been returned to them. AF asked whether the Community Council has paid their £100 'donation'. The Show and Gala will donate £60 after the event, and the auditor Mr D Robson has made a donation. The present operating balance is £3941.43.

Property convenor's report: GA reported retrospectively:

- 1 War Memorial has been weeded prior to the show.
- 2 Allan Pettigrew to be contacted to finish the window sills.
- 3 Boiler engineer contacted, awaiting confirmation of date.
- 4 Monthly fire check done

MW noted that there is a problem with the boiler trip switch.

Hall bookings: AF gave an overview of bookings to end of year.

Health Improvement	Unbooked	6,13,20, 27 July
Golden Years	3 rd Tuesday Sept pm except 13 October	
WRI	1 st Monday evenings Sept onwards	

Hightae Artists	Wednesday mornings	
AYF		9 Sept, 15 Nov, 22, 25, 29, Dec 2, 6, 9,13
Show and Gala Quiz		Oct 23
Coffee Stop		Last Fri of each month except Dec
Old Time Dancing		Thurs Sept 28 – Dec 17 incl
RFT Community Council		Sept 21 AGM and meeting Oct 22 (if election arises) Oct 29
Scottish Country Dancing		tbd if members wish to resume

AF wondered if the School wished to rebook the Hall for activities since the school roll will increase at the beginning of term. She will contact the head teacher.

Baby changing facilities: MW on behalf of Under 5s suggested that a baby changing facility might be installed in the Disabled toilet. There is space, and the bunk costs £250. NB asked that the Under 5s donate towards the cost. MW will review this, purchase the bunk and install it.

Hearse House: The tenancy agreement sent by McJarrow and Stevenson was agreed on by the Committee, and has since been passed on the solicitor for action.

AOCB

Craft Fair: PB requested help from the committee for both days. MB will coordinate help with catering.

Dance on 18 September: Committee members are required to help out at this event, both in kitchen, and as stewards (following legal requirements).

Date of next meeting: AGM followed by ordinary meeting. 21 September 2015.

NB and JC will liaise on the procedure and advertising of AGM. New members are definitely, welcome, as are members of the public.