Ridlington Village Hall Committee Report 2022

The Committee comprising Henry Ike, Pat Roome, David Harvey, Keith Aldridge (Treasurer) & Dave Roome (Chairman/Acting Secretary) met when necessary during the year.

Trustees

David Roome, Pat Roome, Henry Ike, David Harvey & Keith Aldridge are registered as Trustees with the Charity Commission at the end of the year 2022.

Finance / Legal - 2022

P.A.T. and fire extinguisher tests were carried out. The Hall is valued as of Oct 2021 for insurance re-building costs at £251k contents are £6k (the insurance firm increases this each year with CPI). The return to the Charity Commission was submitted in 2022. We need to raise nearly £1,000 per year simply to cover running costs which include Insurance and utility bills. We are however in a healthy financial position. Accounts for year ending 31/12/2022 are attached. Thanks to Keith for this.

Village Hall AGM

No AGM was held in 2022 due to my oversight. It is anticipated the next one will be held in April 2023.

Fundraising

Three coffee mornings, and a social night were held to help cover the Hall's running costs. Numbers at Coffee mornings averaged 20. The Christmas social evening had 30 attend. In addition some kind donations were received.

Use of Hall & Maintenance

Parish Council meetings, Oakham School DOE, three VH Coffee mornings and a social night. Following a laborious planning application the rear roof slope and toilet roof were re-done using an artificial Collyweston slate. The front roof is not in need of immediate attention, but hopefully an enlightened planning dept will let us use the same artificial slate as approved for the rear when it does need doing. The 5 yearly electrics check was satisfactory with the next one due in 2027. The hire of the Hall despite rising costs remains at £10ph. Keith kindly cuts the grass and we have a tidy up as required.

Thanks to Everyone

The Committee wish to thank everyone who supports the Village Hall, supporting events, making kind donations, helping and carrying out essential repairs often at short notice. It's been said before but we are a small village with so many calls on people's time and finances particularly at this moment in time so all support is much appreciated.

Dave Roome – Chairman/Acting Secretary 31st December 2022