MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE HALLS COMMITTEE held on Tuesday 21st January 2014 in the Parish Room, Village Hall, South Darenth at 7.30 pm.

PRESENT: Cllr Dawn Mitchell (Chairman)

Cllrs Ian Blackamore, Terry Moyle, Christine Page, Eric Wilson,

Brian Lelliot, Mike Crook

IN ATTENDANCE: Heather Rohard, Parish Clerk,

38 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Cllr Lewis

39 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Mitchell declared a pecuniary interest in item 6

40 MINUTES

The Minutes of the last meeting were confirmed and signed as a true record.

41 MATTERS ARISING

All Action Points from the previous meeting had been completed.

42 MAINTENANCE MATTERS

The Clerk reported on maintenance that had taken place and items that needed attention.

A hole in the corridor wall had resulted from the New Year's Eve Party which could be repaired at a cost of £30. This had been deducted from the Damage Deposit and work would be carried out as soon as possible.

The flat roof continues to leak in the Village Hall: this is scheduled to be inspected in the Spring when the weather improves.

43 UNDER STAGE STORAGE ACCESS

3 quotes were received for this work from Day & Attree Developments (£764.70), Alan Mitchell Decorating and Property Maintenance Services (£686.00) and Bespoke Timber Joinery (£892 + VAT).

RESOLVED that Alan Mitchell's quote be accepted with an amendment to ply wood being used instead of MDF as the preferred material.

Brian Lelliott confirmed that Short Mat Bowls would contribute £100 towards the works and Mike Crook confirmed that Valley Players would contribute £75 towards the cost of works.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange works providing cost not increased significantly due to choice of materials

44 MESH PANELS for REAR WINDOWS

1 quote had been received from CMR Doors and Shutters. 2 more quotes are needed before this can be considered.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange further quotes

45 CAR PARK LINES

It had been suggested that car parking lines be introduced to the Village Hall Car park.

ACTION: Clerk to arrange site visit from KCC

46 JUBILEE HALL FROSTING TO DOORS

The committee considered the design for the vinyl frosting for the doors and approved the work to go ahead.

47 **REGULAR HIRERS**

Riverside Preschool Contract was reviewed; the hourly rate from 1st April 2015 is set at £11.50 and 'increases of not more that 5% for the following 2 years' amended on the contract.

ACTION: Clerk to liaise with Riverside

Foot Clinic requested that the commercial rate not be applied to this service as it is subsidised and supported by Age Concern. Cllr Page offered to look into this further and report back at the next meeting.

ACTION: Cllr Page

48 RATES RECOVERY

A company had offered for a fee to recover possible over charged rates however this could be investigated for free. The Clerk was asked to look into this.

ACTION: Clerk to investigate

49 DATE OF NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

18th March 2014

Meeting ended at 8.32pm

Heather Rohard Clerk to the Council

Chairman

Date