

Fanshaws Room Committee AGM
Thursday 18th April 2024 at 7.00pm in Fanshaws Room

Meeting commenced at 19.05

Present: Linda Ashley(chair). Robert Williams(treasurer), Brenda Lambie(Hall), Alison Blakey(Secretary), Cllr.Tony Roberts, Jean Retallick

Apologies Lawrence Price

Minutes of previous AGM and matter arising

It was noted that “During 2020 FRC donated £1,00 should have read £1,000”. There being no other matters arising the minutes were passed as a true report of the previous AGM of 26th May 2022

Chairs Report

In 2022 there was a picnic to celebrate the Queen’s Jubilee, on 5th June 2022 and the Village Fete held on 4th September.

At Christmas there was a childrens party held at PWP and a Christmas hamper were given to the older members of our village.

There was a Christmas tree erected on the green.

In 2023 there was a village celebration for the Coronation of King Charles on 7th May with a marquee, BBQ and music.

The village Fete was on 3rd September.

There was a children’s Christmas Party held at PWP and lunch or hampers were given to the older members of the village.

There was also a mulled wine and nibbles Christmas social which went reasonably well.

There was a Christmas tree on the green.

Linda would like to personally thank everyone for all the help and time put into every event we have held throughout these two years.

Treasurers report

The figures for 22/23 covered the covid years and hall lettings figures were down on previous years.

The village fete made money but spent more than it earned due to expenses for new equipment and updates.

A covid grant was received which allowed Fanshaw’s Room to make much needed repairs and updates. We will need to be more careful of expenses in the future.

The bank balance at the end of March was £22,192.00

Hall report

The biggest expense were the new doors in Fanshaw’s Room.

Bookings are continuing to improve.

Election of officers

Linda Ashley - Chair (proposed by BL, seconded by RW)

Robert Williams - Treasurer (proposed LA, seconded BL)

Brenda Lambie – Hall (proposed LA, seconded RW)
Alison Blakey – Secretary (proposed BL, seconded RW)

AOB - none

Fanshaws Room Committee Meeting
Held after AGM
Thursday 18th April 2024 in Fanshaws Room

Present: Linda Ashley, Brenda Lambie, Tony Roberts, Jean Retallick, Alison Blakey, Robert Williams

Apologies for absence: Lawrence Price

Minutes of previous meeting and matters arising

Minutes approved.

No matters arising

Treasurers Report

As of end of March 2024 the bank balance was £22,192.

Hall Report

The cycle club has renewed its booking.

Bookings are improving.

Brickendon Fete

Tony reported on behalf of the Village Fete committee.

The band has been booked. This year they will lower the volume.

Birds of Prey will give a more extensive display.

The bar, Pizza, BBQ and Ice Cream have all been confirmed.

St Johns Ambulance, Fire and Police are all booked. Still waiting for the Cadets to confirm.

Generators and toilets sorted.

Alison confirmed that Steven Oates Estate Agents will put up an unlimited number of boards at £10 per board. Brenda and Rose have both offered to have boards. They need to have a confirmed number by mid July.

Summer Party/Lighting of beacon

The Beacon will be constructed close to the village sign on the corner of the green opposite the Farmers Boy. The post has been sourced and AT Bone will construct the basket. It will be erected before 6th June.

Brenda suggested getting some D-Day flags.

Summer Party

Baz will run the bar. The £5 token system worked well last year and will be repeated this year.

Tony will run the BBQ with help from villagers. There will be salads but no desserts and no vegan option as so few were required last year. The small white gazebo will be used for the salads. There will be nibbles.

At this time no band has been booked. All the bands we have used recently are not available.

Lawrence is trying to source new band.

Flyers will be printed and distributed.

AOB

Tony Roberts gave an update on the village green.

The money to purchase the Village Green has been reached. The Parish Council have appointed Birketts Solicitors in Hertford, BPC have used them in the past. Once a completion date has been confirmed, Tony will contact all those who have pledged donations.

The tennis courts need to be discussed at the next meeting with various options to make them viable.

Tony is wondering if Brickendon could hold an Open Gardens event as a fund raiser for the village.

Next meeting 30th May at 7pm

Meeting closed at 8.08.

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