

Clopton Village Hall Committee Meeting
Thursday 7th April 2022
At Clopton Village Hall at 7.30pm

1. **Present** : Diana Dawson, Della Hughes, Doris Main and Sue Christensen. .
2. **Apologies** : David Hayhow, Richard Taylor.
3. **Minutes of the last meeting on 3rd February 2022:** Already circulated.
Approved and signed by Diana.
4. **Matters arising** : There has still been no response from OpenReach about rectifying the sagging wire over the playing field. The light fitting outside the main entrance has been replaced and new kickboards fitted to the kitchen cupboards. Many thanks to John Dawson. The privet on the mound has been cut back. There has been no response from Clopton PC re the requested dog bin.
5. **Treasurer's Report** : A financial summary for 2022 so far was prepared by David and circulated. Income was £2513.08, expenditure £488.73, giving a trading profit of £2024.35. Outstanding bills are for hall insurance and cleaning in March.
6. **New lighting** : The fluorescent tubes in the main hall have been replaced with 6ft LED tubes. The side light bulbs have been upgraded to dimmable LED fittings and four new dimmable LED uplighters have been installed on the kitchen side of the hall. Thanks to John Dawson and David Hayhow for carrying out the work, and to Richard Taylor for loaning a scaffold tower. The total cost of the project was £645.38 which was paid for by a donation from District Councillor Tony Fryatt's Community Fund. Diana has written to Councillor Fryatt to thank him.
7. **Grounds:** Fifteen saplings from the Woodland Trust have been 'adopted' and planted by children around the edge of the field. The grass has been cut.
Thanks to Adrian Yallop.
8. **Maintenance of Hall** : Broken and stained ceiling tiles to be replaced. Della requested that the toiler roll holders are changed so that the rolls are easy to replace. There was a discussion about changing the paper towel dispensers for electric hand-driers because of the mess the used towels create. Diana to look into feasibility.
9. **Play Equipment** : Diana suggested looking into the possibility of building a slide into the side of the mound.
10. **A.O.B.** : Crows are again attacking the hall and main entrance windows. Diana has cleaned the windows and shut the curtains. Sue suggested that hanging CDs in the windows can help to deter them.
11. **Date of next meeting** : Thursday 7th July 2022 which will also be the AGM.

Meeting closed at 8.50pm.