

Minutes of Leonard Stanley Village Hall Management Committee held on 21st January 2009

Present: A. Blythe, D. Collins, M. Collins, M. Forder, P. Hearne, R. Helson, D. Holland, M. Kerry, C. Oakes, D. Turner (Chair), G. Walker

Apologies: L.Cox, L.Craddock, D.Newton

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as a true record.

Matters Arising: Bledisloe Cup plaques still not in place. **Action: D.Newton/G.Walker**

Cost of fridge for kitchen still being investigated. **Action: D. Turner**

Quotes still being chased for urgent electrical work for insurance purposes.

Action: G.Walker

Treasurer's Report: (See attached) Balance at end of December 2008 was £11,532.30.

Social Club Report: Nothing to report.

Bookings Report: Very quiet with only 3 bookings for February so far.

Administration:

- **Employees' pay issues** will be discussed and hopefully resolved next week at a meeting between the Committee Officers, G. Walker and B. Pond. (GRCC)
- **Licensing issues.** Mike Lewis, the SDC Licensing Officer has highlighted the fact that we have been unintentionally breaking the law with regard to our interpretation of the licensing laws. In particular, it is not lawful for alcohol to be sold through the bar in the Kingston Room. This has implications on future bookings. It will be necessary for hirers wishing to sell alcohol to pay for a Temporary Event Notice from SDC and take on the responsibility for their event, as a TEN would temporarily overrule the hall license. This and other issues will be put to B. Pond next week for advice on the best way forward.

Maintenance

- The door between the Social Club and the Kingston Room is still difficult to open. **Action: G. Walker**
- The committee agreed to put together a working party in the summer to freshen up the hall interior.

AOB

- M. Collins was concerned that the needs of smokers have not yet been addressed.
- M. Forder suggested that Maureen and/or Gary might wish to attend the March meeting of the Village and Community Halls Network, as B. Pond (GRCC) will cover the subject of caretaking and bookings.

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 18th March 2009 at 7.30 p.m.