

Walberswick Village Hall Management Committee.

Chairman's Report.

March 2021 to March 2022.

Because of the continuing Covid 19 Pandemic, the Walberswick Village Hall remained closed until the summer of 2021 and its affairs managed by the Steering Group of Chair, Vice Chair Hon Secretary and Treasurer, who held their last meeting on 22 July 2021. In order to comply with the requirement of the Charity Commission for the annual return, report and accounts to be filed by 30th September, 2021, (a date put back because of Covid 19) an AGM was set for 24th August 2021.

A full Committee Meeting was held on 10th August 2021

At that meeting resignations were received from 2 members, Peter Byrne and Lavinia Penrhys-Evans The Committee thanked both, for the excellent work put in by them whilst serving on the Committee.

The special AGM was held on 24th August 2021 followed immediately by a Committee Meeting. The Committee decided to organise a "Welcome Evening ", supported by Walberswick Common Lands Charity , on 4th September 2021 for all village organisations to welcome people who had moved into the village recently, and in particular during the period of Covid restrictions . The Welcome Evening was very successful with over 100 people attending

Committee Meetings were held on 19th October 2021 and on 8th February and 22 March 2022.

Premises and Equipment.

A new Dishwasher has been installed.

A new Car park barrier has also been installed.

Dampness in the ceiling of the Annexe is being investigated

Some new ceiling lights in the main hall are being purchased.

Members.

In addition to David Neeves , Martin Lovick has also joined the Committee, and Harriet Wilson, who is the History Society representative.

Robin Buncombe, a much valued member of the Committee sadly died on 20th December 2021 . He will be very much missed especially for his knowledge of village history .As mentioned above, Peter Byrne and Lavinia Penrhys- Evans have already retired from the Committee.

New Members are therefore urgently needed on the Committee to share the workload and bring fresh ideas. In particular the Parish Council, St Andrews Church PCC and the Common Lands Charity have been asked to nominate members . The lack of enough volunteers will very shortly become an acute problem as several very long standing members will retire from the Committee in March 2023,

I would like to thank all members of the Village Hall Committee for their time and work in keeping the Hall in good order during the difficulties caused by Covid 19 so that the Hall is now open again as a hub for village events and activities.

Clive Brynley-Jones
Chair.