

## Walberswick Village Hall Management Committee

### Chairman's Report

#### 2020 and 2021.

Because of the Covid 19 Pandemic and the consequent closure of the Village Hall from March 2020 until August 2021 this Report covers the 2 years firstly to April 2020 and then to April 2021.

#### April 2020.

##### Premises and equipment .

Dampness in the front store room was investigated further and measures taken to try to resolve this . The problem is being monitored .

Village Hall Car Park resurfacing is being kept on hold since there is still an occasional problem of flooding of the tarmac area after exceptional heavy rainfalls.

The rainwater soakaways have been cleaned out by a specialist company and the flooding problem has been reduced bur still not eliminated. The extent and frequency is being monitored and any further remedial work considered .

Improved cleanig fluid is being applied to the wooden floor of the Hall to maintain its good condition  
The panelling at the front of the Stage has been replaced

##### Fund Raising

August 2019 Bingo Sessions raised a profit of 2465

The Village Fete net proportion of proceeds was 7100.

Further amounts were raised by a touring company's production of " A Christmas Carol " in December , and a production of "Sweeney Todd" in February 2020.

##### Personnel.

David Neeves joined the Committee in January 2020.

The Pandemic restrictions nation-wide forced closure of the Hall in March 2020.

#### April 2021.

The Hall remained closed throughout the year April 2020 through April 2021.

No full meetings of the Committee could be held during this time so management of the Hall's affairs was overseen by a " Covid Steering Group " of the Chair, Vice Chair, Hon Secretary , and Treasurer. Meetings of this Group took place as follows to review if and when the Hall could be safely reopened.

**26 June 2020** when it was decided that the Post Office service once a week could restart ,as from **9 July 2020** subject to Covid precautionary measures being taken.

**29 July 2020.** Partial reopening as from 8th September was agreed but this was then prevented due to restrictions re imposed 2 days after the meeting

**7 September 2020** Re opening was agreed as from October 2020 unless there was any further change in National Restrictions.

**9 October 2020** Requests from 3 organisations to use the Hall had to be refused for health risk and economic reasons .due to rising infections.It was agreed thatv we should be ready to reopen when permitted and should plan some form of reception t o welcome people who were moving into the village during the lockdown.

**30 March 2021.** A Chairman's verbal and aTreasurer's Reports were presented in the absence of a full AGM.

Bookings were now being taken for September 2021 .

A new dishwasher was to be installed as the servicing company had reported faults on annual inspection and new parts for the old dishwasher were no longer available.

I would like to thank my fellow members of the Covid Steering Group for monitoring events during this very difficult time and look forward to "Service as Usual" being resumed by the full WVHMC as soon as possible.

Clive Brynley-Jones  
Chair  
WVHMC.