

Minutes of the Spaldwick Village Hall Committee 15th December 2016

Present

Grahame Leach (GL)

Raine Thompson (RT)

Lyndy Pullan (LP)

Apologies for absence

Mike Robinson (MR) Spaldwick Parish Council

Stephen Bowring (SB)

Councillor Jim White (JW) invited as a guest

Declarations of interest None

Matters arising

Letters were requested from the village residents earlier this year. We wanted ideas that would help us and it was not our intention to guide people in any particular direction. We received 10 letters in total and all those letters suggested that we spend the money on something else, within the village, rather than a village hall. No one was in favour of building the hall. These letters may be viewed but the suggestions could not be actioned without a village meeting and full approval by the Charity Commission on any vote. Any discussion on this matter would be for a future Village Hall Committee.

We are aware that the Trust Deed gives us a narrow brief. This was our instruction from the Charity Commission, when we wrote to them, earlier this year. They said we have to: **“To provide a village hall for the use of the inhabitants of the Parish of Spaldwick without distinction of political, religious or other opinions including use for meetings, lectures and classes and for other forms of recreation and leisure- time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for the said inhabitants.”**

We intend to have a discussion with the Parish Council before our A.G.M., on the possible future direction for the Committee. We also wish to discuss the possibility of acquiring a parcel of land, within the village. We are aware that the Church is also intending to modernise its building and any plan for a village hall, needs to take this into account. Action (GL)

The Trust Deed demands that we have an A.G.M. in January 2017. We are starting to make our plans to book a room within the village. We will create the necessary forms and advertising, to let the village know when the A.G.M. will take place. Action (GL)

A.O.B. None

A meeting will be held at a time to be arranged before the A.G.M. in January 2017

Minutes approved on 06/02/17 Grahame Leach Chairman of Spaldwick Village Hall Committee