

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING OF DUDDENHOE END VILLAGE
HALL HELD SATURDAY 12 MAY 2012
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.00PM

PRESENT

Bob Reich- Chairman
Martin Bach
Jennifer Clifton
Philip Clifton
Jane Evans
Jane Guy – Treasurer and Acting Secretary
Roberta Pearce
Susanne Reich

Also in attendance: Dianne Bond, Nigel Bond, Zoë Broughton, John Broughton, Carolyn Hughes, John Hughes, Trevor Guy, John McAdams, Sandy McAdams Tineke Westerhuis, Evert Westerhuis and Carol Fiske

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Helen Donaldson, Jayne Drinkwater, Sue and David Perks. Joan Sanderson

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 13 May 2011 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He reported on the events of 2011 -12 as follows:

- a) Spanish Quiz n Chorizo
- b) Village Games
- b) Langley Fete stall
- c) Harvest Supper
- d) Birthday Party
- e) Christmas Lights

f) Grand Re-opening event

g) Walks

Bob thanked individual members of the committee for their dedicated support. He reminded everyone of the fund raising efforts it had taken to refurbish the hall and thanked the organizations that had provided the funds:

- Tom Amos
- Viridor
- Stansted Airport Community Fund
- The Big Lottery
- Uttlesford District Council
- Elmdon & Wenden Lofts Parish Councils, and personally thanked Carol Fiske, Parish Clerk who was in attendance.

The refurbishment has been carried out by Trulight Ltd (Windows) and A Duke & Sons Builders. (Interior works etc). The works had been project managed by Martin Bach for the Village Hall Committee'

The Chairman announced that it was intended to seek further funding to improve the car park and the external access to the building with improved paths, lighting etc. Sources of funding had been identified.

Bob reminded those present of the schedule for events for 2012-13:

- Jubilee Celebrations – Monday 4 June
 - In the hall at 3.00pm
 - Loyal toast at 4.00pm
 - Children's fancy dress competition on the theme of Jubi-lympics
 - Bring food to add to the communal tea.
 - Jubilee Beacon at Mayshott Orchard to be lit at 10.15pm.
- Langley Fete Stall – we have been invited to have a stall at the event on Bank Holiday Monday.28 August

2012. Villagers are asked to sort out their unwanted, but hopefully classy, bric-a-brac.

- Harvest Supper ?? October 2012
- Christmas Lights Sunday 2 December afternoon.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

Jane submitted a schedule of accounts for 2011-2012, copy appended to these minutes. The accounts for 2011-2012 were approved. She confirmed that the detailed accounts would be submitted to the Charity Commission this year as the income had exceeded £10,000.00 due to the grant income from Uttlesford DC and the Big Lottery, which unlike the other grants had not been paid directly to the contractors against specific invoices.

5. ELECTION OF COMMITTEE 2012-2013

With the exception of Susanne Reich, committee members were happy to stand for 2012-2013 if elected. The remaining committee was nominated by Nigel Bond and unanimously seconded by all present. The Chairman thanked Susanne for her hard work on the committee over the past few years, with particular emphasis on the catering, which she has masterminded with great efficiency. He pleaded for someone to take over this role.

6. HALL CLEANING

Now that the hall has been refurbished the Committee were anxious to keep it looking good and it was discussed how to achieve this goal. Would 'Happy Helpers' do this or would it be necessary to employ a cleaner? It was agreed to investigate and employ a cleaner.

7. HAPPY HELPERS

As always, the committee was keen to use any help the village could offer in promoting events and keeping the hall going for another 80 years.

The business meeting closed at 7.20 pm