

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
TUESDAY, 13TH APRIL 2010 IN THE PARISH HALL**

Present: C White (Chairman), P Stanley (Treasurer), S Barnes (Secretary), J Barton, J Beven, M Cater, D Houghton, P Hurrell, J Le Grice, K Livett, R Parkin, L White + 8 members of the public.

1. Apologies

There were no apologies.

2. Minutes of 2009 AGM

The minutes of the previous AGM held on 31st March 2009 having been circulated, were approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman gave a presentation with visual display on the screen listing the main users of the hall and the income. Private events were at the top of the list for income received. The Primary School is not using the hall as regularly as in the past and no reason has been given for this. Table tennis is a new addition to the regular users and is proving to be quite popular. The two Bridge Clubs which meet on Wednesday and Friday have now merged and are our top users. The Keep Fit group continues to operate but more members would be welcome.

A large part of our income is from fund raising and throughout the year there have been some excellent events such as a photographic exhibition, cream tea, barbecue and boules, several musical events including an unforgettable evening with Tim Kliphuis and a talk on the Lost Gardens of Heligan.

Although the some of these events can be expensive to arrange the profits received have so far justified the cost.

In the current year hire charges to people outside the Parish have been increased. There can be no guarantee that charges will remain as they are at present for regular users within the Parish.

Expenditure for the maintenance of the Hall is difficult to budget for but external and internal decoration of the building and adjustments to the boiler and heating system, need to be carried out and work will commence in the near future. We may use some of last year's surplus to pay for some of this work.

A number of fund raising events for 2010 have been planned and these include a talk by Peter Fuchs, a Concert for Megan, a piano recital by Timothy Abel, another musical

evening with Tim Kliphuis, a concert from The Kingsmen and Panache, as well as a barbecue, Autumn Fair and lots of other interesting things

The Chairman thanked the Committee for their support, June and John Beven for their work on posters and the Maintenance Committee and Ray the Caretaker for their help throughout the year.

The Chairman asked for questions from the audience. Rosemary Mackay asked what the cost of the oil was for the hall. Patrick had no specific figures and Chris said we pay the same amount as local people who have a special rate from one of the oil distributors.

5. Approval of Accounts

The Treasurer thanked Mr David Martin, the independent examiner of the accounts, for his work, Judith LeGrice the booking secretary and June Beven for her work on invoicing, and collecting money.

He said that 2009 had been a successful year but there had been a reduction in interest rates on deposit account.

The Treasurer asked if there were any questions.

June Beven said that in a letter sent by Mr. Martin Beck to the Trustees, he requested that all the invoices for the school should be sent to him as Chairman of the Friends of Thurlestone School. She said that the invoices have always been sent direct to the School and asked what she should do. Patrick said that they should be sent to the School for approval and then passed on to Mr. Beck for payment. The Friends raise the money for the School and they pay the bills. June also said that she has spent hours invoicing Martin Beck and it has caused her embarrassment chasing up payment.

Chris White said that we do not know what effect the School redevelopment will have on their use of the hall and whether they will still require the use of our storage facilities. Ron Parkin said that we spent £1,600 on school equipment. Trustees would have to decide what to do with this equipment. As a charitable body the Parish Hall is not allowed to support other charities.

6. Election of Officers

There were no nominations for election of officers. The Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary agreed to remain in office.

7. Any Other Business

June Beven gave notice of her intention to resign her position as Assistant Treasurer at the end of this year. If someone is willing to take up her job, that person would need to be trained and also be familiar with the Excel computer system.

Joan Mackenzie expressed her congratulations for the hearing loop in the hall which is the best she has ever experienced.

Rosemary Mackay asked if the parking problems had been solved. Chris White said that we are making progress. Parents who have children in Pearsons have been issued with a permit to use the car park. Teachers can park in the right-hand corner and as neatly as possible. Other people without permits are not allowed to use the car park. Charlie Mitchelmore was employed by the school to stop people with no permit. His labour has now been withdrawn on Health and Safety grounds due to an incident which was referred to the police. Now people living in Court Park are not happy with the way cars are parked in their area.

Devon County Council is planning to work with the children to find out how they would like to travel to school – by bus or in the car. At random children may be assisting the police with speed trapping in the village. A child may ask the question “why were you speeding? How would feel if you knocked me down?” There is no doubt that the School are doing their best to resolve this difficult issue.


We now have some new signs regarding restriction of parking which can be put up outside near to the entrance.

Building work at the school should be finished before the children go back to school in September. Temporary buildings would then be removed thereby freeing up parking areas.

June Beven asked how many permits would be given to second home owners in the vicinity. The Chairman said that this would be discussed at the next Committee Meeting on Monday 26th April 2010.

Jeanne Barton gave a vote of thanks to Chris White and the Committee for the work they have done throughout the year.

The meeting closed at 7.01 p.m.

Signed: 

Date: 29/3/11

PARISH HALL 4th QUARTER 2010

	4 th Quarter		12 Months	
Income	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
Hire Charges	2112	2500	8889	9750
Private Events	797	400	2632	2000
Fund Raising	2928	1750	8651	4850
Donations	241	75	1304	350
Interest	71	120	258	450
Total	6153	4845	21734	17400
 Expenses				
Caretaker	350	350	1250	1300
Cleaning Materials	19	50	115	200
Utilities	1280	1000	3572	3500
Insurance	--	--	1766	1700
Secretarial Expenses	29	50	248	200
Event costs	1338	900	3699	2200
Sundries	169	70	304	300
New Equipment & Repairs	23	1100	9238	5000
Total	3208	3520	20192	14400
Surplus	2945	1325	1542	3000
Bank Balance			£60163	
 Fund Raising				
4th Quarter	Income	2928		
	Costs	1338		
	Surplus	1590	Budget	850
12 Months	Income	8651		
	Costs	3699		
	Surplus	4952	Budget	2650