

Zeals Village Hall Management Committee Report 22/9/22

Firstly we must acknowledge the sad death of our beloved Queen Elizabeth II, but send our good wishes to our new King Charles III. God Save the King.

This quarter has seen 2 successful events for the Village Hall Committee. The Platinum Jubilee in June followed by the Family Summer BBQ in August. We were kindly permitted to use Whitesheet Primary School for both events and many villagers commented on how they enjoyed themselves. Some members of the church and the PTA assisted at the Platinum Jubilee and my committee agreed to give them both a donation from the proceeds of the event.

Our decision to move the Village BBQ from the Village Green was taken on the basis of safety. Many parents had approached us at the Jubilee and said that they had never been to the BBQ as they felt it was unsafe for their children as they were unable to run around due to the main road, but they would come if it was in the school grounds. This proved to be a good decision as we attracted not only our regular faces but also a younger generation. "The future of our Village".

Before we had been able to hold our AGM, Judy Clark who was to take over from Graham Poynton as Treasurer, decided that the role was not for her and Graham has kindly agreed to continue in the role until a new Treasurer can be found. I have been approached by one of my Committee Willicia Sibthorpe and she has kindly agreed to take over from Graham with his guidance. She has some knowledge of accountancy and seems an excellent candidate for the position. Anne Geeson who had been on the Committee for some 12 years decided to resign and we thank her for her service over the years.

Bookings continue at a steady pace and our maintenance continues to be done admirably by David Turner.

We have a Quiz Night with fish and chip supper planned for 29th October and a Christmas Fayre with tea, coffee and cakes planned for 10th December. We already have 9 stalls booked for the Christmas Fayre with people selling their homemade crafts and cosmetics.

We have arranged for BT to install WiFi in the Village Hall and hope to follow this up with the purchase of a card reader for purchases made at future Village Hall functions.

We shall continue to work hard for our Village Hall.

Sheila Colbourne

Chair

12.9.22