

Adderley Village Hall Management Committee Rebuilding Sub Group

Minutes of the meeting on Monday 10th September 2019

Apologies: Chris Coleman, Iain Wilson

Present: Marius Coulon, Wendy Icke, Jane Rushton, Ben Wrathall, Phil Brindley, Neil Humphries, Ann Shepherd, Chris McDermott, Lois McDermott, Carol Gadd

The minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated, were agreed and would be published on the web site. In future the minutes would be circulated and agreed by email so that they can be published sooner.

Jim Faulkner has had to stand down for personal reasons. Marius Coulon said he would be willing to stand in until a new Chairman could be found.

Chris Coleman was unable to attend but his report on the progress of the Finance Group was read to the meeting:

A meeting was being set up with the Council Funding team now that The Village Hall Accounts were up to date and available.

Business Case Writing Courses were available but if the members of the Finance Sub Group were not able to attend maybe others could. Marius agreed to circulate details of courses to all members and to authorise payment for those wishing to attend.

Crowd Funding apps had been investigated. Anyone wishing to see how these work could log on to smile.amazon.co.uk. This would not be a high fund raiser but could be a long term steady “drip”

Big Lottery Funding was being pursued.

Marius had forwarded a list of possible sources of funding. Jon Day also had some experience in fund raising and would contact Chris Coleman.

Wendy Icke reported that Sport England were only interested in funding flat green bowling and only to affiliated bodies.

Some funding suggestions had been made on the AVH Facebook page and these were forwarded to the Finance Group.

It had also been suggested that if we could show that a new Village Hall might provide a venue for services lacking in a rural community (doctor, dentist, chiropody) or social activities for the young and the old this may influence some funding bodies. Marius reported that the police had expressed an interest.

Ben Wrathall reported on behalf of the Social Group. They had been investigating sources of funding and were drawing up a list of local businesses who might help. Ben would talk to Chris Coleman to ensure there was no overlap in their approach. Lois McDermott reported that she had found a template for a fundraising pack which had been used by a village in the South of England and contained a lot of good ideas. She was looking to edit the pack for our use. One of the points raised was that people should know exactly where their money was going. Jane Rushton said that if

major funding bodies were not able to make sufficient funds available for the rebuild we should make it very clear what we would do with any smaller sums of money raised.

Ben reported that plans were under way to hold a special fund raising evening with a celebrity guest speaker. He also asked for a list of residents so that all villagers can be made aware of our activities. We should state the amount we need to raise, where we plan to get it from and how to give money. A collection tin could be placed on the end of the bar.

Marius reported that the Adderley Social Committee (ASC) were very tired and were thinking of taking a break from organising events.

Any funds raised in the village should go into one account as it would enhance our bid for funding if we could show that the village as a whole was making an effort. Any organisation which needed funds for running costs or maintenance could use this account. It was suggested that some members of ASC should be invited to join the sub group.

Marius reported that he is to meet with a representative of the Planning Committee soon. He has also tried to push Refurb1 for more information and support but has not had any success as yet.

Although we are not currently considering detailed plans for the new village hall, Wendy Icke expressed concern that the space was not suitable for the Bowling Club's needs. She was asked to make us aware of the Bowling Club's exact requirements at the next meeting.

Planned improvements to the A529 will not affect planning as no road layout changes are proposed – just traffic calming measures.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 17th October 2018 at 7.30 pm

Carol Gadd gave her apologies as she is not able to attend Wednesday evening meetings.