**Newton Memorial Hall Committee 11th July 2019**

**Present:** Frank, Rosemary, Judith, Gordon, Jane, Ian, Des, Ruth, Veronica.

**Apologies:** June

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 9th May 2019 were agreed and signed. An amendment was required as Ruth had not attended the previous meeting as shown in the minutes.

**Matters arising**

**Live and Local:**

Two performances are booked for the coming year: Sunday October, The man in his shed and Friday April 24th 2020.

**Parish Council Documents:**

Frank reported all documents have been removed and destroyed.

**New Tables:**

The six newly purchased tables are now in use. Two of the tables are being used in the chapel. One of the old tables is being used by the art group. The remaining tables will be used by Clifton Church.

**War Memorial Service:**

Following the decision to hold a further War Memorial service arrangements are now underway. Ted Lyons has been booked for the service as has the Village Hall. The Parish Council have budgeted £200 to help fund the function if necessary. Rosemary agreed to try and book the bugler again. Frank will contact Fred Jenaway to ask if he could attend the service as he did last year.

**Changes to the Hall:**

The Parish Council were successful in securing a grant of £7k from the Borough Council. Work on the roof will start on 6th August. The Hall will be weatherproof throughout the work. It will not be possible to use the hall during weekdays whilst the work is being undertaken.

An application has also been made for a WCC Councillors grant to fund a projector. A sound system is also to be considered. This is to be further discussed by the Parish Council and consideration will then be given to the village Hall Committee making a contribution from reserves.

Internal improvements to the Hall are to be further considered in the coming year. Groups that use the Hall are to be consulted and members of both the Parish Council and Village Hall Committee are to meet to agree changes.

**Treasurers report:**

The current balance in the bank is £5916.12

All bills and insurances are paid.

**Change of name:**

The change of name has been completed with the Charities Commission and all insurances.

**Whist Tables:**

The whist tables have now all been refurbished.

**Soldiers at the Hall:**

The soldiers at the Hall are to be painted and repositioned.

**Bookings:**

A decision was made to review the booking charges of the Hall. No changes are to be made to the charges at present.

**Grant Application:**

The committee agreed to find more information about the type of projector, PC mountings etc. that would be suitable for the Hall and make a grant application to fund this recognising that any grant obtained would need to be spent within this calendar year.

**Any Other Business**

Ian suggested and it was agreed that following the completion of the changes to the Hall that the new facilities should be promoted possibly on Facebook. To be further discussed.

**Date of the Next Meeting:**

Thursday 26th Sept 2019 7:45pm in The Village Hall.