

New Village Hall Project Meeting

**Thursday 29th November 2018
7pm**

Minutes

Present:

Village Hall Committee: George Brett-Reynolds (Chair), Julie Piggott, Margaret Brett-Reynolds, David Skinner.

Julie Dyson, Sophie Trend, Graham Polson, Graham Able, Mary Able, Tony Green, Susan Neil, Carol Brown, Paul Brown, Sue Harrison, John Harrison, Susie Freeman, Tina Guillory.

Apologies: Barbara Clark, Sandy Hopkinson (Village Hall Committee), Sarah Hiner, Susan Polson, Neil Dyson, Nigel Shackelford, Patsy Shackelford.

Summary of progress to date: Village Survey (August/September 2018) and Village Meeting (26 September 2018). Clear evidence of village support for new hall and possibility of Big Lottery Funding to max £500,000* subject to a strong bid. All those who'd expressed interest in closer involvement on the Village Survey had been invited to attend Nov. 29th meeting (see names above).

Formation of a Village Hall Project Advisory Board: The New Village Hall Project will be led by the existing Village Hall Committee (chaired by George Brett-Reynolds) with the support of a wider Project Advisory Board. Looking ahead, this Advisory Board will be divided into areas of interest & expertise, including design and planning, bid writing, finance, fundraising, equipment and facilities.

New Village Hall "brainstorm": The meeting was invited to discuss aspects of design and layout of a new hall. Comments and suggestions were collated by Julie Dyson who offered to approach her architect for initial plans and costings. These would be circulated before Christmas for comment and amended by mid-January. The meeting thanked Julie for her help with this important first step. Funding sources were also discussed.

Date for next meeting: Thursday 31st January at 7pm in the Village Hall

Thanks to Margaret Brett-Reynolds for provision of refreshments

The meeting ended at 8.20pm

* Further to this meeting, there was a follow-up phone call to The Big Lottery on Friday 30th November. A policy change made since June 2018 states that max funding is now limited to around £80,000.