

WEST HARPTREE MEMORIAL HALL

CHARITY NO: 1061222

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 7.00pm IN THE HALL

Present:

Chairperson: Ginny Ireland

Guest: Martin Chiffers

Vice Chairperson: Danielle Ireland

Secretary: Sue Jory

Treasurer: Bill Jory

Members: Rick Zurburg, Fiona Rochford

Agenda:

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:** Were agreed as correct and signed by the Chair and seconded by the secretary.

2. **100 years Hall Video:** Martin kindly showed the video that he and Rick have been working on. It opened with aerial footage of West Harptree and the Hall. It featured local residents who shared their memories of village life over the years and photos of local buildings and people. The Committee congratulated Martin and Rick on making the film and agreed that it will be the highlight of our Centenary Celebration.

Flier for 100 Celebration for circulation & Mendip Times: After much discussion, it was decided that Dani will create the Flier and would also send a copy to Rick to add a photo to the Mendip Times and the Parish magazine.

Flier for Bingo: It was agreed that Dani will contact Martin to ask if he could change the date on our existing flier and she would then pass it on to Julie for printing.

3. **Curtains:** The curtains on the stage are very heavy and as a result we have had hooks broken when they have been pulled. To overcome this problem, Sue and Bill went to Dunelm and found out the stronger hooks and sliders can be obtained on line. Therefore, it was decided that we will source these items and see if they make any difference. Fiona pointed out that in the winter the curtains are pulled across the stage which helps to keep the heat in.

4. **Fire Extinguishers:** Eventually the UK Safety Management checked our fire extinguishers on 22 August. They reported that we will need to replace 3 extinguishers next year at a cost of £462. It was decided that we will ask other hall committees in the area, who they use and cost etc just to compare. We also discussed the fact that we have a "duty of care" for our hall users, and although it is not obligatory for us to do Pat Testing every year, we decided as a Committee that we would continue to do so.

5. **Bingo - 20th September:** Rick has re-stocked the bar and the committee agreed that we would just offer a medium-size glass of wine to customers for £5. We will also provide filled rolls (40) - cheese & onion, cheese & tomato (Ginny); ham & cheese, ham & tomato (Sue), £2 each.

6. **Any other business:** Fiona mentioned that the sound engineer who checked our system has now retired but she has someone in Weston and will pass the name to Dani, so that we can get the film club up and running. Bill also mentioned about a “strong buzzing” that he heard a week or so ago coming from the speakers. He could not trace it and it just seemed to disappear after a day or so.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING: WEDNESDAY 1st OCTOBER AT 7.00pm

Signed:(Chair). Date: