THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF STORRIDGE VILLAGE HALL, TUESDAY, 18 MARCH, 2025

MINUTES

Present: Mark Higgins, Jean Horne, Jean Horne, Jennifer Horne, Liz Kabani, Josie Lowe, Colin Merker, Bob Oliver, Rob Prosser, Jacky Pye, Derek Scully, Mark White, Jackie White

Apologies: Margaret Cross, Lynn McMenamin

Minutes of 2024 meeting were accepted as a true record

Chairman's Report (Derek Scully)
"Thank You for attending our Annual General meeting this evening.

I would like to begin by thanking the Hall Committee once more for their continued help throughout the previous year. Their jobs and commitment are critical to the continued safe administration and sustainability of the Hall.

We also want to thank the CSPC for making us a grant. The grant enables us to continue to invest in the Hall and improve its fabric, infrastructure and the quality of the environment we can provide to the many Community Groups and Others who use our facilities in so many different ways.

We need to thank the many Community Groups and Others who use and support the Hall. Many have been using our facilities for a number of years, and some are new to us this year. We thank you all for your continuing patronage, as your income contributes to our sustainability and your many uses and the services and support you provide to your users is why we work hard to provide a safe and attractive Hall. Thanks must go to the members of the community who support the Hall's fundraising efforts by attending the Suppers, which are joint ventures with Storridge Church, which are extremely popular and greatly enjoyed by those who attend, and by joining the 100 Club, which, I understand, is fully subscribed for 2025; the first draw will be this evening.

Last year, I mentioned that we were going to take the opportunity to evaluate how we could make the best use of all of the spaces we have at the Hall, as two groups had told us they sadly needed to leave us, which would result in a reduction in our revenue which is critically to our sustainability. From our review we identified that we had three rooms upstairs which were significantly underused. Two of the rooms served as unstructured and underutilised storage areas, while the third was a large room that was used as an occasional meeting room. Following further discussions, we agreed to consolidate our storage into one room, upgrade the other storage room so that it was fully serviced and could be used as an office or meeting room etc and refresh the existing large room so that it could be used as an office or meeting room, etc. the two office areas have been fully redecorated and fitted with new carpet tiles. Both have upgraded electrical services to support administration and other use, and energy efficient LED lighting has been installed. We are just completing extending our Wi-Fi service to service the rooms.

We have been able to rent out part of our new storage room and are proposing to market the two offices for rent imminently. We have also been looking at external Grant opportunities as it appears there are many available that could help us improve aspects of the Hall. After disappointment with a couple of applications we were successful in applying for a grant to install solar panels and batteries. We started this application in October and our new system is now installed and became operational in the later part of December 2024. The new system is helping us further decrease our carbon footprint and will help us reduce our energy costs and add to our efforts to improve the Hall and maintain its sustainability. The system is controlled using a Givenergy-linked app. This gives us control over when we can sell unused energy back to the grid. It even allows us to monitor how the system is performing on an hourly/weekly/monthly basis, and you can see when the dishwasher or electric kettle is turned on, as well as when the doors to the Hall are locked or unlocked!!!!!

Other plans to improve the Hall under consideration, include replacing the remaining poor energy saving windows and doors, replacing and insulating the hall floor, completing the Hive management system, and installing CCTV—all of which were beyond our budget identified for our phase one work completed.

We have also supported the CSPC with the roll out of their mixed waste bins around the Parish by permitting their 1100 litre central waste bin to be sited on our carpark. They have agreed to make a small payment for this which adds to our income streams.

The annual statutory testing of the fire alarm system, fire extinguishers and emergency lights has been completed.

I would like to finish by thanking our many users for your continued patronage and our committee members for their tireless support and work to keep the Hall as vibrant as it is. However, if there are any people out there who would like to join us as volunteers, please let us know.

We do need additional members on our committee, especially ones from each of our regular user groups. We are also always looking for people with skills, enthusiasm and ideas that will stretch us and support us in the continual reinvention of the Hall and what it offers to our community."

Booking Secretary's Report (Liz Kabani)
Liz reported that a couple of bookings have been lost but are attracting others. Everything is up to date.

Treasurer's Report (Mark White)

- The balance sheet and profit and loss sheet were circulated and are appended to these minutes.
- The banking has been sorted now, and more is transferred to the Reserve Account for interest.
- The balance sheet shows assets were £17,243, an improvement compared with £13,432 in 2023.
- The profit and loss account records total income of £13,607 against £13173 in 2023.
- The Hall revenue of £8,186 is down from £9,117.63 of 2023.
- The 100 Club brought in £1164 and after prize money is paid out retains at least 50% of its income.
- Expenditure amounted to £9,796 compared to £10,686 in 2023. The cost of utilities is well down, thanks to Derek researching cheaper deals

Auditor for 2025 – Nigel Munford.

Any Other Business
100 Club – There were 97 members of the 2024-2025 100 Club, bringing in £1,164. Prize money paid out totalled £455 as 7 people kindly donated their prize money to the hall. 101 people have joined the 2025-2026 100 Club. Prizes are £25, £15, £10. The first three winners were Ed Moseley, Frank Bye and Samantha Munrowd. Derek Scully and Jackie White will sign the SLOT form for the four quarterly returns May, August, November 2025, and February 2026.

Resignation of Committee – all members resigned. Lynn McMenamin has resigned from the committee. Jean Prosser died during the year and Josie Lowe became the main WI representative.

Re-election of existing members: Margaret Cross, Mark Higgins, Jean Horne, Liz Kabani, Colin Merker, David Prosser, Josie Lowe, Joan Prosser, Rob Prosser, Jacky Pye, Derek Scully, Mark White, Jackie White.

Election of new members – no new members stood for election.

The hall no longer has holding Trustees as the land is vested with the Official Custodian.

Representatives of Regular Users of the Hall: Margaret Cross (CMS Art Group), Jean Horne(C) (Evergreens), Colin Merker (CSPC), Josie Lowe (WI). [No representation for My Baby Can Dance, Fencing]

Election of Officers

	Nominee	Proposed	Seconded	Elected
Chairman	Derek Scully	M White	R Prosser	Unanimous
Secretary	Jackie White	L Kabani	R Prosser	Unanimous
Treasurer	Mark White	Jacky Pye	L Kabani	Unanimous
Vice Chairman	R Prosser	L Kabani	J Horne	Unanimous
Bookings Secretary	L Kabani	R Prosser	M Higgins	Unanimous

Meeting closed at 8.00 p.m.

PROFIT & LOSS

INCOME	
HALL HIRE	~~9194~~ 9214
Debtors Hall hire	718
GRANTS	11205
LOTTERY	1212
SUPPERS	1756
REFUNDS ETC	847
BANK INTEREST	169

TOTAL	25101
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OUTGOINGS	
UTILITIES	2046
Creditor	28
CLEANING/BUILDINDS/MAINTAINANCE	11179
LOTTERY	530
Lottery creditor	15
FINANCIAL	1752
SUNDRIES	635
Adjustment	~~-25~~ -5

TOTAL	~~16160~~ 16180
BALANCE	8941

STORRIDGE VILLAGE HALL 2025 ACCOUNTS 1/1/26

BALANCE SHEET

CURRENT ASSETS	1/1/26	1/1/25
NAT WEST CURRENT ACCOUNT	2200	3230
NAT WEST RESERVE ACCOUNT	23229	13960
DEBTORS (see invoices)	718	40
PETTY CASH	0	13.40
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LIABILITIES		
CREDITORS (LOTTERY WINS + Sewage)	44	80
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