

**SYCHDYN MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of the meeting held 26th February 2019**

**Present** : Alan Watkin (chair) Haydyn Bateman (Vice Chair) Chris Ruddle, Marion Bateman, Mari Raynor, Grenville Jones, Sue Edwards, Pauline Lawton-Hughes.

**Apologies** : Natalia Williams, Gina Finlay, Sue Kavanagh.

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as a true record.

**MATTERS ARISING**

Thanks to all the members for attending to the Christmas Decorations. Also to Haydn for arranging the Christmas tree. To the Caretaker and her husband to removing the decorations in January.

**STANDARD ITEMS**

**Caretaker Report**

Evidence of a member of the public throwing cat litter in the hall car park. The Caretaker has placed a notice to the person/s involved to remind them the car park is for parking cars for users of the hall and not a dumping ground.

The Caretaker expressed her concerns that people booking the hall for children's parties have been entering the playgroup storeroom and using the toys.

**ACTION ; Secretary**

**Booking Clerk**

Mari has been approached by a member of the public with the request to hold a public auction on a monthly basis commencing in March 2019. The hall would be booked from 9am - 9pm. The auction would commence at 12 noon. No large items for sale.

Marion Bateman suggested the Mari contact the market Officer, Flintshire County council to verify if a licence be necessary to hold the auction.

**Booking Forms**

Booking forms available online with account details to enable hirer's to pay by BACS.

**Committee Secretary Report**

**Car Parking**

Approach from a local walking group is request permission for the group to leave their cars at the kitchen end of the car park next to the woods . They would double park the cars and leave the car park by 1pm. This was agreed by all.

**Playgroup**

Concerns expressed by playgroup staff regarding the storage of the chairs in the main hall. Some of the children were hiding underneath the chairs and the staff felt they were at risk. Following discussion with playgroup staff it was agreed that chairs were stacked to a certain height and stored facing the wall.

### Car Park

Members of the public were parking in the car park to enable them to use the hall WIFI. The Secretary observed this whilst in discussion with DAFFODILS group. The leader, Wendy politely asked the driver to remove her vehicle as she may be blocked when the group arrived in mini buses and cars. The driver was verbally abusive to Wendy. Wendy pointed out that the driver could complain to me as the Secretary as I was in the hall observing. This was declined and the driver used her camera phone to take our photograph before driving away. I await a complaint.

**ACTION** : Secretary to discuss with DAFFODILS

### Heating

Telephone call received from Yoga group leader with a complaint the hall was too cold, and she was unable to contact the Booking Clerk for her to turn up the thermostat.

**ACTION** ; Secretary

### Recruitment

Following a recent request for new members to join the committee, the Secretary has been approached by two local people expressing interest. They both were unable to attend the meeting but would attend the April meeting and AGM.

### Annual General Meeting

It was agreed the AGM be held 9th April 2019 followed by the bi -monthly meeting.

### **New Business Items**

#### Hanging baskets

Haydn agreed to deal with this. The secretary informed the members that she had heard the Sychdyn Nurseries have closed due to Johns retirement.

**ACTION** : Haydn

#### Internal Decorating

The Secretary to approach the Youth Justice team regarding the painting of the main hall and lounge.

#### Best Kept Village Competition.

The Flintshire Local Voluntary Services and not Flintshire County Council are the organisers and point of contact for this annual competition. Marion Bateman asked that we consider entry for 2020.

**Date of next meeting and AGM Tuesday 9th April 2019 @ 7pm**