

**Minutes of a Meeting of Barton under Needwood Parish Council as Sole Trustee of
Barton under Needwood Village Hall, registered charity number 502046
Held on 5 June 2024, 6.30pm, Robert Douglas Room, Barton Village Hall**

Present:

Cllr E Sharkey (Chairman)

Cllr J Brookes

Cllr I Gilbey

Cllr J Taylor

Cllr C Walker (late arrival 1838)

In Attendance: Mrs S Rumsby (Minutes)

Village Hall Management Committee Representatives: S. van Daesdonk; L Bennett

Apologies: Cllrs Young, Naylor, Lord, Bedford, McInerney, Allcock

1. The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.
2. Previous Minutes of the Trustee meeting of 7 March 2024 were accepted.
3. Financial Report
Sue van Daesdonk summarised the VHMC circulated report. Accounts were running at a deficit of £1,808 for the year to date to end May. One-off bookings were dropping off slightly.
4. Committee Update:
ESBC – A WEP grant had been applied for to upgrade audio visual equipment. Meeting arranged to discuss with the panel.
A satisfactory fire safety audit had been completed. Steve Murray, in particular, had done a lot of work in preparation. Lynn Bennett and Alison Jones were working on risk assessments and templates have been provided for hirers to complete.
The fire door needs to be completed by fire accredited workmen. Fire proof shutters are also needed for the kitchen.
An online booking system was being trialled which can connect to heating controls.
A workplace pension scheme had been set up with NEST; however, no employees qualified for auto-enrolment.
A new gas contract had been negotiated.
The storm drains are being checked regularly.
A working party of volunteers had carried out some minor building maintenance.
Solar panels and EV charging points were still being looked at and the latter may generate some income.
It was hoped BPC Comms could assist with advertising the facilities.
The Trustee expressed thanks to all members of the committee for their work.
5. Dates of future meetings – 2024: 5 September, 5 December
- Meeting closed at 7.00 pm.

Accepted on Signed