

HADSTOCK VILLAGE HALL AGM MONDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2021.

CHAIRS' REPORT – LYNN NUTTALL AND KIRSTY HUTCHINSON.

Our AGM this year has been delayed until after 17<sup>th</sup> May, when Government Covid-19 restrictions were eased enough to allow a limited number of people to meet inside the Hall again. Some restrictions still remain; summed up by the mantra - Hands /Face /Space but at least we are not outside or having to resort to a Zoom meeting.

Indeed, our last AGM was a virtual one, held in September 2020 but covering the period to April that year.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2020 signalled the start of UK Lockdowns and we have been on a roller coaster ride of changing regulations since then. Throughout the period to date, government restrictions have been changed and updated regularly. Each time our Risk Assessments have been updated and we have just received advice update 11 from RCCE who give guidance on Village Hall matters.

All VH bookings ended at the start of the first Lockdown and although we have made several preparations to open our doors we have been unable to do so until our first full booking for the elections on May 6<sup>th</sup>.

Whilst we were closed, we had to change our insurance, change the locks and start a formal key register. The heating was turned to minimum and the cleaner cancelled. The Hall was checked weekly to meet Insurance requirements.

Maintenance has continued. In June the Storeroom was refurbished, the designated area for the Silver Band rebuilt and the floor resurfaced. New shelving has been installed. The parking area for Disabled users has been resurfaced, the brick store has been repointed, the roof repaired in 2 area to prevent damp. There have been some repairs to guttering. We are currently taking quotes to have the front parking area of the Hall resurfaced.

There have been some changes to our committee. Matt Fish has resigned but agreed to continue acting as a Trustee. Jude Hannam has joined us and is assisting Maggie Hartley with bookings. Peter Jarrit is no longer the PCC representative but has agreed to remain and help with the Website. We cannot have this meeting without recording our sincere thanks to Hamish McKilrick who has been a Trustee for decades, serving in a variety of roles and invaluable for day-to day maintenance. Unfortunately he is no longer able to continue due to ill health. We wish him well.

Our constitution dictates that all trustees must resign at the AGM but we are relieved to report that everyone currently serving has agreed to continue for the next year.

We are looking forward to more normal times when the Hall can again resume its role as the hub for village social meetings and events. We would welcome new Committee members with ideas to increase village usage.

Lynn Nuttall

Kirsty Hutchison