

ETWALL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Frank Wickham Hall Committee held on Monday 17th October 2016

Present:	Committee Members	Non Committee Members
	Cllr I Bennett	Cllr D MacDonald
	Cllr R Warburton	Cllr D Muller
	Cllr B Payton	Cllr A Kirke
	Cllr N Ireland	
	Cllr H Ritchie-Smith	Four members of the public
	Cllr M Adcock	
	Cllr D Neal	

532 **Apologies for Absence** – None

533 **Declaration of Interests** – None

534 **Minutes of the meeting held on 18th July 2016** – already approved

535 **Public Speaking** – The Chairman of Etwall Dance Club reported that their club was thriving and therefore they had need of extra space. Ideally they would like a larger hall in Etwall as they were unable to use John Port C Hall, the refectory was too much like a catering facility and their time at the Leisure Centre had been allocated to the school. It was explained that the Frank Wickham Hall Committee had to consider all users of the hall and priority was the refurbishment of the existing building and if and when funding became available an extension to incorporate an additional meeting sized room which would be available all year round. It was suggested that the removal of the carpet would ease the situation but this had been refused following a survey of users as the Playgroup felt that the carpet was needed and as they used the hall for five mornings and some afternoons each week they were given priority. The Committee did agree to approach to Playgroup to see if they would be willing to use large rugs instead of the carpet. There was also the issue to acoustics as the carpet would absorb some of the echo and also storage could be an issue.

536 **Request to install a picture hanging rail** – Mr England explained that funding had been obtained to purchase and install a picture hanging rail but the Committee needed an explanation of how they envisaged that this would fit with the existing acoustic panels and were asked to provide a sample of the proposed rail.

537 **Update on projects** – The winders for the windows and the front door were due to be installed on Wednesday 26th October. Cllr Neal was pressing Norwood for a quotation for the refurbishment of the toilets. IT WAS DECIDED to obtain quotations to regulate the temperature of the hot water coming from the taps.

538 **Budget items for 2017/18** – see attached.

539 **Any Other Business** – It was reported that an article was to be put in The Express by the Dance Club and the Parish Council had been asked if they wished to make a response. IT WAS DECIDED not to do so at this time.

540 **Date of Next Meeting** – To be decided.

Signed

Date