

Minutes of Tasset Village Hall (TVH) Annual General Meeting

7pm Wednesday 13th March 2019.

Present: Sheila Brodie (Treasurer), Malcolm Brodie (Chair), Kate Hersey,
Hazel Ions, John Holland,

1. Apologies

Sarah Hallberg, Shirley Colbeck-Smith, Lizzie Kathiravel

2. Minutes of previous meeting.

Minutes of previous AGM meeting (28th March 2018) were presented and accepted without alteration. Proposed John Holland, Seconded Hazel Ions.

3. Matters Arising.

No matters arising

4. Chair's Report

MB gave his report – copy attached

5. Secretaries Report

SB presented secretaries report – copy attached

6. Finance Update

SB presented her report – copy attached.

7. Election of Officers and committee

Committee members and officer are as stands: Malcolm Brodie (Chair), Sarah Hallberg (Secretary), Sheila Brodie (Treasurer), Hazel Ions, Shirley Colbeck-Smith, Kate Hersey, John Holland, David McCracken, Lizzie Kathiravel.

Officers proposed by John Holland, Seconded by Hazel Ions

8. Any other business

9. Date of next Meeting

To be advised

APPENDIX 1 – CHAIR’S REPORT

Welcome to this the 87th AGM of
Tarsset Village Hall
Management Committee.

Firstly:

Thanks to committee members for your support, particularly to Liz Reekie and Kath Richardson who retired as joint chairs last AGM. Also Lizzy Kathiravel for all the hard work she puts in cleaning the hall.

Also:

Thanks for continued support: (in no specific order!)

Song Reivers
Yoga Group
Film Nights
Wool Gatherers
Ceilidh Band
Sharp Cards
Scottish Dance Group

and all the other occasional users.

Sheila will give more details, but overall useage is down so far, so we must bend our minds to attract more events.

A possible example being the organisation, last year, and performance this year of the HiLights group with their Unmythable evening. Generally very well received, so will seriously consider their return, despite not making very much out of the evening.

Hall Structure:

Over the last reported year, and including up to date this year, we have:

Employed Mr Tony Anderson as 'on call' handyman.

With his assistance we have:

Renewed lighting in the Ladies, Kitchen and Bar, and the outside lights.

The gutters have been repaired to stop them leaking.

Sorted out the lighting and flushing arrangements in the Gents toilets.

Attempted to repair the kitchen 'fridge, and ultimately renewed it.

Obtained and fitted a key-safe for the front door key.

Purchased a second-hand till for the bar (which is yet to be commissioned) (Note to bar manager!)

Ordered new notice boards for the front of the hall.

However, the notice boards that the original supplier attempted to fit, fell far below acceptable standards, so the order was cancelled and the boards removed. New boards are being made by Mr David Watkins, and are due to be fitted next weekend.

Future work includes:

Repainting the outside

Alterations to the garden

So:

Our focus over the coming year will need to be to increase the profitability of the hall. This may be achieved by the commissioning of the bar's till and subsequent increases in bar prices, as well as an effort to increase the useage of the hall, and possibly a review of hall charges.

APPENDIX 2 – SECRETARY’S REPORT

Secretary’s Report: Weds 13th March 2019

- As at 12th March 2019, prior to the AGM, there are 9 members on TVH Committee
- Committee officers prior to the AGM are as follows: Sheila Brodie (Treasurer), Sarah Hallberg (Secretary), Malcolm Brodie (Chair – co-opted)
- Account Signatories: Sheila Brodie, Sarah Hallberg, Malcolm Brodie
- Holding Trustees (in addition to the public committee): Charles Allgood, Jimmy Ions, Shona McCracken and Michael Walton.
- Bar Licenses: The registered holder for the TVH Premises License is the Village Hall Committee

In terms of bookings, the past year has been an encouraging one for the Hall and we have attracted two more regular classes – pilates and physical training. Our other regular classes include Yoga, Woolgathering, Scottish Country Dancing, Sharp Cards, First Thursday Films, Tarsat Ceilidh Band, Song Reivers and the Coffee Morning.

It is also reassuring to see that the Hall is frequently used by a wide range of community groups - such as the WI, 2050 CIC, TAG, BADDs, VARC, the Community Foundation, Greenfingers, the church and the Friends of Greenhaugh School. It is also occasionally used by a number of external bodies too, including the Forestry Commission, GNAA and NNPA.

Over the course of the year, the hall has seen musical events, dances and ceilidhs, singing workshops, private parties for both adults and children, the Leek show, play rehearsals, play performances, WI meetings, curry nights, film nights and craft days on top of our regular bookings.

It must be noted that our regular BAA Club sessions have been on hold this year since the organisers are taking a hiatus, but we hope to see BAA Club return to the Hall when it starts up again.

As a new venture, however, we have also joined the Highlights Rural Touring Scheme and following a successful first production, we hope the community will continue to support us and make this venture a successful one.

The sound and video equipment continues to be used regularly and is a great asset to the Hall, while access to our high-speed broadband (we have changed providers this year) has been well received by our hirers – and has even enabled users to contact people via Skype where we have negligible mobile phone coverage.

The Coffee Mornings continue to be successful and once again, a huge thank you needs to go to Kath and her team for keeping them well-attended and well-publicised.

APPENDIX 3 – SECRETARY’S REPORT CONTINUED

The 100 Club is also going from strength to strength and we have an established waiting list for numbers. Further thanks to Kath for continuing to organise what is a very successful fundraising enterprise for the Hall.

The Hall’s facebook page continues to be popular and well-subscribed locally (with 175 followers). It is updated regularly and continues to be a good way to help spread information about events and activities happening in the Hall. Recently, it was used as a way of taking bookings for a play we put on as part of the Highlights Rural Touring Scheme. Facebook therefore continues to be a very useful tool for the Hall and is used in tandem with the Tasset Website, the Hexham Courant’s Village Notes and, hopefully very soon, the hall’s new notice boards.

This year, special thanks must go to Kath Richardson, who resigned both as Chair and from the committee during the course of the year, but who generously continues to offer her time and much welcome help by running the Coffee mornings and the 100 Club (as mentioned earlier in this report). I would like to say a huge thank you for her time and effort – and also to thank Ian, who has helped out hugely with various garden and maintenance tasks around the Hall.

Finally, huge thanks are due to everyone on the committee (some of whom have been co-opted during the course of the year at relatively short notice) as I know everyone has worked very hard this year to keep the Hall and its garden well-tended, well-maintained, friendly, and welcoming for all its users.

Sarah Hallberg (Secretary) 12/3/18

APPENDIX 4 – FINANCIAL REPORT

TARSET VILLAGE HALL TREASURERS REPORT AGM MARCH 2019

Bank balances at 9/3/16	13/3/19	28/3/18	23/3/17	
Bar 324.02	£ 449.52	£ 430.67	£ 293.75	£
Cheque book account 2,630.06	£ 4,434.29	£ 5,741.97	£ 4441.67	£
Treasurers Account 4,501.11	£ 5009.43	£ 5,006.83	£ 6504.46	£
Fixed interest account <u>£12,000.00</u>	<u>£10,080.00</u>	<u>£10,142.12</u>	<u>£10,000.00</u>	
£19,455.19	£19,973.24	£21,321.59	£21,239.88	

We have £10,000.00 invested in Lloyds in a fixed term deposit account. With interest due of £80.00. Last year I enquired as to whether there was higher interest elsewhere. There were quite a few but only if we fixed the £10,000.00 for 5plus years.

Our annual running costs for the hall excluding repairs are under £4000

There have numerous repairs and replacements in 2018 total value just over £1700.00. For 2019 we need to budget for about £2500 of known items.

I have bought for Brenda Morpeth a garden voucher for £30 and card thanking her on behalf of the committee.

2017 was a very good year for takings over the bar. 2 birthdays, 1 funeral, BAA Club, Games Night, Leaving Do, Charity Auction.