

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES TO THE BLACKBOYS VILLAGE
HALL, RECREATION GROUND AND ALLOTMENTS TRUST INCORPORATING
PALEHOUSE COMMON RECREATION GROUND.
CHARITY REGISTRATION NO: 305225
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, BLACKBOYS,
ON TUESDAY, 28 MAY 2013 AT 7 PM**

Present

Jeff Goggin (Chairman)	Peter Friend
Selina Allen	Rob Newton
Richard Brocklebank	Ian Paisley
Myran Eade	

In attendance

Ann Newton – Parish Clerk (Officer to the Trust)	Members of the Public – two Members of the Press – none.
Jan Riddle – Treasurer to the Trust	

(The minutes are detailed in the order in which they appeared on the agenda but not necessarily the order in which they were taken at the meeting. A copy of all the reports mentioned will be attached to the minutes for the minute book).

Mrs Sheila Walters (representing Blackboys Cricket Club) and David Jenner were in attendance.

1. Apologies for Absence

Felicity Groves, John Mordaunt and Maria Naylor.

2. Declarations of Interest

Councillors to give notice of declarations of personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on the agenda. Jeff Goggin declared a prejudicial interest in any reference to Gill Goggin, cleaner/bookings clerk at the Hall, as she is his wife.

3. Minutes of the last meeting

It was agreed that the minutes from the last meeting held on 26 March 2013 having been circulated, be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record (JG/PF).

4. General Correspondence

There was none.

5. Finance

- **Schedule of expenditure as at 31 March and 30 April 2013 (Hall and Trust)** – the reports were adopted as read (PF/JG).
- **Formal agreement of the payments/disbursements** as detailed in the report circulated at the meeting and detailed below (JG/RN).

Blackboys Village Hall Expenditure	£
Richard Hudson (electrical works to the Hall)	38.00
Wealden District Council (cesspool emptying)	127.00
Mrs Gill Goggin, Cleaner/Bookings Clerk (May)	XX.XX
Mr Brian Short, Caretaker (May)	XX.XX
<i>Both salaries paid net of deductions</i>	
HMRC: May tax for Cleaner/Bookings Clerk and Caretaker	XX.XX

6. Allotments

- Matters arising – there was none.
- Any other Allotment business.
 - The Clerk reported that she was still chasing the last few rents. It had been reported to her that there had been some recent chicken thefts. She was still advertising the fact that there are vacant plots.

7. Village Hall

BB 049	Clerk to investigate the possibility of erecting a mirror opposite the entrance to the Hall – contacting the landowner in the first instance. The meeting agreed that as the hedge had now been cut back at the entrance to the Hall this was no longer necessary. The Clerk stated that she now had the information on the owner should it be required for future use.
BB 050	Southern Water – further investigation into the solution to the drainage problems – meeting to be held. The Clerk reported that due to holidays etc this had not yet been possible but the suggestion was for the following Friday. <u>ACTION: BB 054 – CLERK.</u>
BB 053	Refuse collection – update – the Clerk reported that the Hall has been reclassified as domestic so no charge for the collection will be made. Landfill will be collected on a fortnightly basis as with ordinary domestic users. If this is not sufficient, other alternatives will have to be considered but will incur a cost. All users have been asked not to leave excessive waste on site.

- Any other Hall business.
 - Update on the suggestion that both halls could house a defibrillator – the Clerk reported that she had gleaned some information and prices. The meeting agreed that they would like more information in the way of a presentation from the appropriate body. **ACTION: BB 055 – CLERK.**

8. Recreation Ground

- Matters arising.

BB 051	Clerk to send the revised agreement to the Cricket Club with a letter asking the Club to comply with the stipulations. An initial informal meeting could then be considered by the Trustees. The Clerk reported that all the stipulations had been met except for the removal of the compost, which she was liaising with the handyman and Bob Ruthven. <u>ACTION: BB 056 – CLERK.</u>
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- Any other recreation ground business
 - Comment was made that the two holes which had been left by the posts holding the rope had still not been filled in. These although seemingly trivial, could catch a dog's leg and cause injury.
 - David Jenner mentioned the damage done by the horses which escaped onto the recreation ground. The Clerk was asked to contact the owner. **ACTION: BB 057 – CLERK.**
 - Comment was also made on the quality of the cutting of the recreation ground (this includes Framfield). The Clerk was asked to contact the contractor and arrange a site meeting. **ACTION: BB 058 – CLERK.**

9. Palehouse Common Recreation Ground

The Clerk reported that a resident had complained about the length of the grass (which has since been cut) and also requested a new football net which was in hand.

10. Any Other Business at the Discretion of the Chairman

There was none.

11. Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday, 23 July 2013 at 7 pm.

The meeting closed at 7.40 pm.

Chairman.....

Date

Copies to:

Representatives

Janet Ashdown (Pre-school)
Emma Doherty (Welcome Church)
Erna Lewis (Rag Rugs)
Ann Turner (Historical Society)
Sheila Walters (Cricket Club)

Employees

Gill Goggin (Bookings Clerk/Cleaner)
Brian Short (Caretaker)