

## MINUTES

### Hawstead Community Council Meeting Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2022, after the AGM

Topic	Description	Action by whom	Action by when
<b>1. Welcome and apologies</b>	Those present: Susanne White, Louisa Jackson, Caroline Miller, Sarah and Shannon Bullen, Ali Bovill, John Shipley, and Bob Brough. There were no apologies. This is our first meeting of the new financial year.		
<b>2. Approval of Minutes of previous</b>	Minutes from our previous meeting were agreed.		
<b>3. Matters arising not listed elsewhere</b>			
<b>4. Treasurer's report</b>	Louisa gave the Treasurer's report, which was the same as for the AGM, and the balance stands at £44,716. Our accounts will be submitted to the Charities Commission as soon as a couple of queries are answered. Our thanks to John West for auditing the accounts for us once again.		
<b>5. Hall Bookings</b>	We are still receiving enquiries for 2022, 2023 and now 2024. From end May to the end of September we have just one weekend still available for booking. For 2023 we have 8 weddings booked already.		
<b>6. Hall Management, Maintenance and Equipment</b>	We talked about the Play Area, and the possibility of putting in a soakaway with the help of a JCB. Rupert Brown may be able to help with that. We plan to do this in the autumn. James and Christabel Carr have also offered their expertise. JS is leading on this.	SW	
<b>7. Events</b>	We discussed purchasing an A1-sized advertising board for use with the various events we hold. SW will try to find a price for something versatile and not too heavy. Plant Fair – It was another good event, a little quieter than last year, perhaps, but we still managed to make £650, with a bit more left to come in, probably. Jubilee Picnic – 5 June. Lesley Carey is making a cake for it. Food is coming via Andrea, but some will also need to be provided by the villagers. A Punch and Judy Show is in the pipeline. Ali B will seek out her bunting and get it to Caroline. There is apparently a framed picture of Her Majesty in the loft... we will look for it. A Platinum Jubilee banner would also be good to purchase. SW will source one. Village Fete – to be discussed at a later meeting. Pantomime – to be discussed at a later meeting. The Fish and Chip van is scheduled to be on site again, on Friday evenings. It was suggested that perhaps the Hall could be opened so that folks could stay and have a beer with their food. SW will advertise this when the evening coincides with good weather. Caroline suggested a beekeeping talk. This is to be confirmed.	SW     AB       SW  CM	
<b>8. Any other business</b>	Sarah had received an enquiry from a villager in Whepstead Road, asking about the rate for residents for a Wedding/Reception in 2024. We agreed that £700 would be possible, plus the usual £200 security bond.	SB	
<b>9. Date of next meetings</b>	Monday, July the 11 <sup>th</sup> , commencing at 18:30.		