



## Charsfield Village Hall

### AGM 2015: Chairman's Report

#### The Committee

This year the hall committee has been reduced to eight persons namely: - Pauline Llewellyn, Pam Hembra (Secretary), Fran Moor (Treasurer and Bar), Steve Moor (Hall Bookings), Peter Holloway (Fundraising), Cyril Kindred (Caretaker), Tony Ford (Fire Officer) and myself Richard Ford (chairman and reactive repairs)

Sadly during the year we have lost one more member for personal reasons Tony Ford, and would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all the hard work put in his role as fire officer and he will be missed.

The good news two new members have joined the committee, Jerry Bird and Adam May who no doubt will soon be allocated a role within the running of the hall.

In my opinion the committee as a whole have made major contribution to the running of the hall and what is often missed by the public is that we are a charity. The time given by the all the members is voluntary effort and some activities are very time consuming and unseen by the hirers.

At Cyril's request the caretaker role has been taken over by Elspeth Gilmour, she has done a fantastic job and cannot thank her enough for taking on more commitments and has brought the hall caretaking to a new level.

I would particularly like to thank Fran on the stocking and running of the bar while also taking on the treasurers role and moving of funds and reducing the number of accounts we had, I know a great deal of time has been spent on this.

I would like to extend my thanks to everybody past and present on the committee and on behalf of the hall users.

#### Other Thanks

Angela Farmer for the continued hard work she undertakes keeping the hedge trimmed and the shrubs pruned. One of the attractions of the hall is that it always looks so nice from the outside and receives a number of compliments.

#### Finance and Fundraising

The financial position continues to be reasonably healthy although as the hall gets older the pressure of the maintenance costs rise. A fund will have to be allocated for replacement and redecorations as the life cycle of certain items become near. This year we have been helped with low cost of central heating oil, but am sure this will soon rise again.

The hall on line booking system is working well and my thanks to Steve for the many hours answering various enquires and organising a healthy looking diary.



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I am pleased to announce the return of the Fat Band for 2015 which will be making a considerable contribution as well as other sources including a donation from CADs.

We have made a commitment to ring fence some of this money to improve the stage lighting and Steve has a proposal for these works.

Thanks go to everybody who helped out with these events, particularly Peter for organising the entertainment and Pauline for glass clearing and washing up.

The bar continues to be a good source of revenue although we have only held bars on a few occasions. We have donated (profit sharing) to local charities and good causes on several occasions during the year.

### Finally

Without Pam's hard work as secretary in the background, chasing me up, minute taking, general administration and of late, barmaiding! I could not have managed without her being in the chair.

The future is looking strong with a sound membership of the committee and should be able to deal with all the challenges we now face.