Garvald Village Hall AGM 10.11.22 7.30pm Village Hall

Present- Gary McGregor (Chair) Laura Edmonds (secretary) Brian Hill (Treasurer) Shirley Evatt, Lee Robertson, Richard Brand, Sarah Ramsay (trustee), Donald Sutherland, Isaac Connell, Caroline McGregor

Apologies- James Mowat

Minutes from the AGM 27.10.21 approved as a true and accurate account and seconded.

Opening from GM (chair) -

- Thanks to everyone for coming tonight, and great to have some new villagers along
- Introduction from GM about what the GVHT do in taking responsibility for the general and overall care and general maintenance of the hall
- Laura Edmonds will be standing down as secretary, and from the committee, but Tom Edmonds will be joining the committee as a member. Other members remain as Gary McGregor, Brian Hills, Shirley Evatt, Lee Robertson, Richard & Chiara Brand and James Mowat. GM appealed for new members and Donald Sutherland subsequently volunteered to join the committee after the meeting concluded.
- Thank you to Roz Anderson for her continued hard work cleaning of the Hall and to Elaine Macmillian for her role as booking secretary for the hall.
- Thanks to Lee Roberston for organising the maintenance weekend at the hall, this is set to be an annual event.
- Thanks to Garvald & Morham Community Council for providing funding to enable a generator to be installed at the hall and thanks to Lee Robertson and Dave Ramsay for the installation. Generator will be used to allow hall to be used as a refuge for village residents in the event of an extended power cut impacting the village.
- Cracks in the hall are being monitored and there appears to be no movement but may need to be addressed in future
- Thanks to Garvald Horticultural Society for providing and planting the borders outside the hall

- GM is pursuing the possibility of solar panels for the hall which is an on going action point
- The hall has been much busier than last year with the easing of covid measures and has seen an array of use for local private hire, halloween party, christmas events, jubilee celebration, fun day, horticultural show, christmas dinner and the hogmanay hoolie is back! As well as MBarts using the hall for drama lessons weekly, a new play group has been set up weekly, the post office is every Thursday, Gifford cubs were using the hall, community council meetings every two months and we have had 2 weddings this year.
- Overall costs of the hall hire will need to be addressed at the next meeting in line with rising fuel costs
- Treasurer report from Brian Hill- Please see separate financial report.

Closing Remarks-

Some fund raising ideas have been put forward including an evening of Garvald reminiscences, a disco and a pop up cafe. It is planned to progress these early in 2023.

Office bearers appointed at next meeting in January 2023, date to be set

Thanks to everyone on the committee for their continued hard work and support.