

Village Hall

Chairmans report

2025-2026

Having given up the post of Chairman in May last year I took it up again in September.

During those three months Ken Tymms took on the role and oversaw the installation of the flood defences and instigated the setting up of the village hall website which has proved extremely successful. Ken found that, as he predicted, the role of chairman was not for him and resigned from the post.

In September there was a very successful Beetle Drive which was a first for the hall, and greatly enjoyed by all participants. This was followed by a quiz night in October, a cheese and wine evening in November and a Christmas Party in December.

February saw the return of The Kings of Lounge a very popular and enjoyable event and then another Quiz night in April.

All of these events are arranged by the committee to ensure that there are enough funds to look after the building-which is our role.

The hall has been used regularly for tap dancing, Pilates, yoga coffee mornings and Saturday breakfast. There were jamming sessions on a Friday as well for a while.

There is a new group which now meets once a month on a Monday evening, Talk and Trowel, which is for all those interested in gardening and is proving very popular and of course we have the resurrection of the Drama group who meet on a Thursday evening and are busy preparing for their first performances.

A group of villagers also now meet once a month to look after the garden areas around the hall.

The hall is being well used and there are still bookings for one-off events.

Cheryl Holloway has continued to ensure that the hall is kept fresh and clean for everyone and the committee are very grateful for her care.

This year sees Derryn leaving the committee and she will be sadly missed. She has been responsible for all of our advertising on the hall web-site and applying for grants as well as choosing the cheese for our wine and cheese evenings! She has always been around to help with events and been a constant source of ideas and all done with a huge smile.

Our secretary David is now starting his final year in the post. It is not an onerous position and it would be good if someone would come forward to take over from him.

The hall committee work well together and I am extremely grateful for all the time and commitment which they have shown. Being on the committee is fun and rewarding especially when people obviously enjoy the activities which we have arranged.

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