

Otterhampton Village Hall Committee - Report from Chair 2017

Thank you for attending this AGM. The Village Hall continued to be well used over the last 12 months by a variety of local groups for the benefit of the residents of Otterhampton. These include

- aerobics/pilates
- Art Club
- Combwich Brownies
- Cannington Surgery
- Craft Group
- the Choir
- Friday Morning Coffee Club
- Harbour View Social Club including darts and skittles clubs
- Pantomime Club
- Short Mat Bowls
- Combwich Motor Boat and Sailing Club
- Monthly Market
- the Church
- OPRA
- Parish Council
- private bookings and welcomed
- the Combwich Brownies
- Circuit Training and
- WI

We continued making improvements to the general upkeep of the hall and finished upgrading the electrical system throughout following last years survey. This work was necessary for the safety of hall users and included replacement of all hot water boilers, repairs, additional sockets and upgrading of the emergency lighting signage. In the kitchen a new oven, hob and equipment were purchased.

We continue to fund raise during the year with the sale of the Village Hall Calendar, the monthly market, bingo, beetledrives, quiz night, jumble sale and the Evening in Provence French evening.

For the future we are looking forward to bidding for resources from the EDF fund to carry out a much needed refurbishment of the

whole hall. The Committee has agreed a list of improvement proposals which have been shared with the User Groups for comments; ultimately we need to improve every area of the hall from double glazing, new heating system, a new entrance giving easy access to everyone to replacement seating. We continue to link closely with the Parish Council who now send a representative to our monthly meetings to keep us updated about the funding.

At the end of this month the hall will be home to the new wall hanging depicting Otterhampton and created by the Combwich Crafters . This will be a very welcome addition to the hall and we thank the Crafters for their very hard work.

Sue Barton

Chair, Otterhampton Village Hall Committee

12th April 2017