

Hindolveston Village Hall Report for Annual Parish Meeting 2015

The village hall continues to act as the major venue for most village indoor activities and trading figures continue to be buoyant across all sectors of income, despite the demise of the regular Friday evening bar session, due to lack of support. Other than on the last Friday of the month, when there is folk music, which attracts several people, other Friday evening bar sessions had dwindled to just two or three people, sometimes including the licensee.

The village hall is the venue for a very wide range of fitness activities, from weights and gymnasium to tai chi and hapkido and carpet bowls. Other regular hobby activities are regularly held, including quilting, life classes and textile work. Additionally there are frequent cinema screenings, including foreign-language films, which are increasingly popular, as is the regular weekly Coffee Shop; also we maintain our association with the Eastern Angles Theatre Company as well as with Creative Arts East, through whose offices we are able to bring high-quality theatre to Hindolveston. In addition to those events, there are of course, private hirings for celebrations and the like. Keeping prices at a sustainable level for hirers and the village hall alike is tricky but seems to be paying off.

The current Management Committee is becoming quite long in the tooth and we are always on the lookout for any interested persons, of any age, who might be keen to help us run and maintain this busy community venue.

Our great hope is that we shall eventually be able to afford to resurface the car parking areas, across which all users must pass to access the building; we are aware that for older people and those who have difficulty walking or who rely on electric buggies, this can be difficult. It is something that we are actively working on.

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