

NACTON VILLAGE HALL

CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT – AGM 2018

I noted last year that bookings remain at a satisfactory level following the normal pattern. Much the same is true this year: N&BU5s remain the most prominent user of the Hall but regulars include the WI, Parish Council, Community Council and the bowls club, although the latter have reduced their use by one session per week, which has led to a slight drop in income. New initiatives include the two-monthly coffee mornings run by the community council.

I commend the Treasurer for continuing to bear down on the utilities charges and note that there has been a welcome reduction in charges for gas and electricity.

I forecast last year that there could be a maintenance bill for the sweet chestnut, depending on the extent or otherwise of the recovery. I am delighted to report that, despite the drought, the tree appears to have made a full recovery following the terra-venting of last autumn: I don't foresee any further work being required until the next check on the bracing in about three years' time.

I am hugely grateful to our Secretary for his hard work to rationalise our crockery and cutlery, and to sort out the kitchen. The new mugs are excellent.

I am beholden to the booking secretary, not just for the smoothness and user-friendliness of the booking system, but also for his expertise in electronics and the maintenance of our audio-visual equipment.

After 10 ½ years this will be my last report as chairman, although – subject to your agreement - I shall continue to serve as an independent trustee for a further year. I am grateful to all my fellow-trustees for your support over the last 10 years. This charity will only work if there is a group of people prepared to make a small commitment of time and energy to provide this community facility on which our village depends. So long as we continue to share the burden in the exemplary way which you have done with me, all will be well in future.

William Cook
Chairman
3 October 2018

Nacton Village Hall report for P.C. Annual Meeting

The Trustees of the Village Hall would like to place on record their appreciation of the financial support received from Nacton P.C. and the support village residents in using the Hall and attending the events and activities held there. Bookings remain steady with a new addition in the shape of Yoga classes which we hope will be successful. The building continues in excellent repair with the renewal of the flat section of the roof. The Trustees have agreed to renew the lighting with energy efficient low maintenance fittings. Finally the Trustees would like to thank William Cook who has stood down after more than 10 years as Chairman but remains for now as a Trustee to assist in the handover to his successor, David Pearce.