Neville Hall Annual Overview April 2018

Last Year

The Hall increased its use last year, and increased its income even though some of the local activities were allowed to use the hall free of charge. It had new heaters, new lighting, and a new hob in the kitchen all of which have been noticed by the users. The biggest impact was the heaters which became highly appreciated during our colder months.

Enquiries and party bookings have remained at about the same level as before.

Over the year there was a net gain of just over £9,000.

This coming year

We shall be losing our regular Saturday morning users (7th Day Adventists) at the end of May, but we shall be gaining a few more regular users – Art classes on a Monday evening, extra yoga on a Tuesday morning, Therapeutic Art days once a month, Pottery weekend, and increasing use be Body in Harmony.

We are maintaining use for yoga, dance, band, Wine society, surgery, the three offices, and of course many individual parties.

Longer term future

The financial forecast for running and maintaining an old building was looked at (over 30 years). A long list of costs (including such things as building repairs, roof repairs, office upkeep, decorating, kitchen equipment, tables/chairs, car park repairs etc) were assumed to need spending on. The resulting schedule of costs showed that if we keep to the current level of annual income and running costs, our reserves will be enough to cover these items. Over the years the reserves could fall to around £5,000, and rise to as much as £100,000 but of course many assumptions lie behind this analysis.

Over all though it does mean that the finances of the Hall are reasonably healthy, and the hall can afford to be reasonably well maintained for many years to come.

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Neville Hall Honorary Treasurer and Bookings