

Leigh on Mendip Memorial Hall Committee
Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 4th May 2026

Present: V Taylor, D Pattison, R Orpwood, E Brooks, S Adams & A Orpwood.

Minutes of the last meeting:

1. The Minute dealing with the car park should have indicated that hollows in the park needed to be filled with a mixture of finer material and gravel. With this amendment they were signed by Chair VT and Vice Chair DP.

Matters Arising not on the agenda:

1. There were no matters arising that weren't on the agenda.

Treasurer's Report:

1. DP reported that he had installed a timer switch in the meeting room allowing 5 mins of free heating. A notice had been put on the switch to this effect. Given the fact that the meeting room was always warm it was agreed that next winter we should turn off the storage heater in that room and monitor its temperature.
2. DP had paid the window cleaner. He had not yet paid for the new front door.
3. DP reported that the quarry money for the Toddlers group had still not been paid. FOLS are looking into it.

Booking Clerk's Report:

1. AO reported that bookings were continuing to be very healthy.
2. AO reported that she had started distributing the keys for the new front door and keeping a record of who had one.

Annual Tasks/ Accident Folder:

1. DP reported that he had still not yet received the bill for the music license.
2. The PAT testing is due and DP is looking for a new electrician to do this. SA said the church had recently appointed one for their testing. DP will contact Dave Mattick to find out who did it.
3. EB reported that there were no new entries in the accident book.

New Door:

1. The new front door had been fitted and all agreed it looked really good. Despite initial concerns the 'hold open' facility worked well. Unfortunately the installers had put in clear glass instead of the frosted we were quoted for. RO had contacted Premier and they were apologetic and said they would look into changing it. He hadn't heard from them so he will contact them again tomorrow. He will keep the committee posted about progress. AO had got keys cut for the users who currently hold a key.

Car Park:

1. DP had asked his car park contact for a quotation for the work he had suggested needed doing, but had not heard anything. He will chase him

Cooker:

1. EB had advertised the availability of the old cooker and had quickly found someone from Shepton who came and took it away. They are pleased with it and are exploring getting some repairs done.

Maintenance:

1. The committee agreed that the quotation of £600 to replace the lighting on one side of the hall seemed a little expensive. DP will explore alternative solutions with Chris the electrician.
2. It was agreed that Lally's AI generated illustrations of planters in front of the hall looked good. However similar commercial ones seemed to be very expensive, so RO will contact Andy Smith (a local DIY person) to see if he could construct some. He had been recommended by several people
3. DP had arranged for himself and RO to have a site visit and discussion with a representative of Baltonsbury village hall about their Photovoltaic system. Somerset had suggested them as a good case study for such installations. DP and RO will report back.

70th Anniversary Celebrations:

1. Our 70th anniversary is on 21st July this year. The committee discussed possible celebrations. It was agreed we would promote the anniversary through adverts on Facebook and the village website, together with a whole page in the village magazine. EB agreed to undertake this activity. It was also agreed that the committee should go out for a meal as part of these celebrations, and VT would approach Sue Vaughan, who had chaired the committee for many years, to see if she would like to join us. A provisional date of 22nd of July at 7-30 was agreed. The details of the meal will be discussed at the next meeting.

Any Other Business:

1. EB reported that she had explored the hiring of commercial floor cleaners for the hall. She had found one suitable for wooden and varnished floors at £47.62 for half a day, plus chemicals. The committee felt this sounded good, and EB agreed to explore timings for a half day hire. She said she would also be happy to use the machine, possibly during the summer holidays.
2. EB also reported that her son Jacob had cleared the gutters including one down pipe that was blocked. The committee asked her to pass on our thanks, and DP said he would pay him.
3. RO agreed to turn off the storage heaters for the summer.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 1st June at 7.30 in the hall.

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