



## Bishop Middleham Village Hall

### Newsletter

March 2019

#### Hall Hire Charges Increase

Unfortunately, the Village Hall Committee feel that we have no choice but to increase the costs for hiring the hall. The cost of running the hall have soared in recent times – over the winter our gas bill alone has been over £400 a month – and unless we recoup more revenue we're in danger that the Village Hall will no longer be financially sustainable. It has been many years since the cost of hiring the hall increased and we've tried to be as fair as possible.

Please see below for details of the new hire fees.

<u>Room(s)</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>	<u>Old</u>	<u>New</u>
Type of Hirer	A		B		C	
whole building	£10.00	£12.00	£12.00	£14.50	£15.00	£20.00
hall	£7.00	£8.50	£9.00	£11.00	£12.00	£15.00
supper	£5.00	£6.00	£7.00	£9.00	£10.00	£12.00
committee	£4.00	£5.00	£6.00	£7.50	£9.00	£11.00

The new hire fees will be implemented as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019. If you think you will have difficulty meeting these new costs please contact the Village Hall committee.

### **New Trustees**

We are delighted to announce two new trustees on the Village Hall Committee: Jane Brownlee and Sarah Oakley. We are currently seeking a new Treasurer as Carmel Ellis wishes to relinquish the role but continue as a Trustee. We could always use new committee members so please do get in touch if you are interested in becoming a trustee.

### **Save the date: AGM 29/4/19**

The inaugural AGM since the Village Hall became a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) will be held at 6.30pm on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019. As always it would be great to have as many people as possible at the meeting and to receive updates from our user groups.

### **Hall Refurbishment**

As you probably know we were pipped at the post last year for the £150,000 grant to refurbish the hall. We are currently seeking other funding to refurbish the hall but it is unlikely that such a large amount of money will be available as a single grant. The Committee are investigating breaking the refurbishment of the hall into smaller part so we can deliver it in phases.