

## **RADFORD SEMELE COMMUNITY HALL**

### **Report to Parish Council 29 April 2024**

The Hall continues to be very popular for weekend events – with only 3 Saturdays and 6 Sundays with (at the present time) no bookings between May and the end of July. In some instances, at weekends there are multiple bookings in one day, with birthday parties being the most popular.

There are in the pipeline a few enquiries regarding regular weekly bookings. Most of the weekly groups seem to be doing extremely well, with probably the Art Group being the most popular as it grows on almost a weekly basis. There is the possibility that it may be necessary eventually to provide another morning session.

End of year accounts show a healthy profit for the last financial year, leaving the Community Hall in a very comfortable position.

Offset against this, however, following a complete survey of all the electrical systems in the Hall, will be some considerable cost of updating or replacing. A quotation for this is awaited.

It has also been necessary to replace the water heater in the kitchen at a cost of more than £400 – but this is essential as the Hall becomes more and more popular for events.

Our Treasurer continues to work with the Treasurer of the Sports & Social Club on financial matters which is proving to be very helpful to both parties. I also work closely with the Bar Steward of the Club, keeping her informed of events in the Hall, in order that the Club may benefit from extra business as a result of these events. I have also offered to undertake and document all regular fire safety checks for the Club – it seems logical, as I have to do these checks for the Hall on a fortnightly basis.

The Community Hall has not, at present, arranged any large event for the coming months, but the thought at present, if the annual Scarecrow Walk takes place again this year, is to suggest that the event start and finish at the Hall, with various stalls and refreshments in the Hall to complement it.

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