ASH VICTORIA HALL COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2020/21

Victoria Hall Management Committee

At the AGM Dave Brown was re-elected as Chairman and Booking Secretary, Ian Chant was re-elected as Treasurer and Susan Bowles elected as Secretary. There are six other members on the Committee.

It was agreed that there would be no increase in charges for the forthcoming year.

The Hall has established a very strong place in the community.

Income from bookings was down due to the impact of the Covid pandemic. The Hall undertook all necessary Covid protective measures and the Hall was used within the guidelines, at various times during the year, when regulations allowed.

Despite income being down, the receipt of a Covid grant has allowed the work on renewing the boundary wall to go ahead without damaging the bank balance. Normal maintenance also continued throughout the year.

The bank balance was reasonably healthy at £31,266.61. This is particularly healthy given the age and use of the building and the numerous repairs and upgrades that are needed annually.

Repairs at Victoria Hall were undertaken as necessary and the clock is now working, but the clock mechanism was show signs of age, which is likely to be quite expensive to replace. The next main planned building work is the replacement of the stage curtain and quotes will be obtained for presentation at a future committee meeting.

Councillor Nigel Manning Ash Parish Council Representative March 2021