WORLINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Minutes of the Village Hall Charity Trustee Extraordinary Meeting
Thursday 6th August 2026 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm

Charity No: 208949

Trustees present: Brian Fry (BF), Lesley Osborne (LO), Nick Foster (NF) and Tim French (TF)
Also present: Secretary – Joanna Priestley (JP), Michelle Ferris (Friends of Worlington Village Hall FOW)

ITEM		Action
1	**Welcome and Apologies for Absence** BF welcomed everyone to the meeting. One member of the public attended and there were no apologies.	
2	**Trustee Vacancy** BF introduced Dan Smith (DS) who wished to become a trustee. DS has lived in Worlington since 2015 and explained that the Hall is of great benefit to the village and would like to be involved. BF proposed for Dan to join and TF seconded. All trustees voted in favour.	
3	**Asbestos Survey** BF explained that this came to the trustees' attention when a long term hirer asked for documentation regarding the hall including a risk assessment, fire risk assessment and a copy of the public liability insurance. The latter documents were in place but FOW updated a risk assessment which highlighted asbestos in the building, specifically in the roof tiles and possibly in the flooring in the back rooms. BF enquired as to the legal requirements and an asbestos survey is a vital in a public building and there is no record of the VH having one in place. BF would like to have a survey undertaken to cover the trustees and to give clarity as to the presence of asbestos. He has received back two quotations so far. 1. Fourbridge – including vat £474 – UKAS Accredited and qualified and insured, method statement and risk assessment. Management survey. Samples analysed 2. Daniel James Denis less detailed quote but almost same price. BF proposed to go ahead with Fourbridge's quote of a full survey, testing and mapping. Then the risk assessment to be updated for future hirers and contractors. This was seconded by NF and all voted in favour.	
4	**Warm Rooms Funding 2026** JP could not find any emails regarding this funding for 2026 but would check with WSC next week. BF suggested that if this funding was made available a framework should be made ready regarding dates for community events.	**JP**
5	**Frontage of Village Hall/Thriving Communities Grant 2026** BF explained that there is £2-8k of funding available from WSC. Registration opens on 10th August for the webinar on 8th September which BF will attend. BF would like to revamp the front by removing the hedge and replace it with roses or something more sturdy and inviting. One of the requirements for the funding relating to wellbeing and isolation could be encapsulated in the project. BF suggested levelling the ground and replace with gravel, a new hedge, seating area to be used whether the hall is open or not. It could also include a herb garden,	**BF**

children's planting area and cupboard for books. BF asked if anyone had any other ideas to spend this money. The deadline is 25th September. NF asked how hirers would feel about people milling about in the garden and suggested the oil tank would need to be obscured and locked. BF said next steps would be to get a contractor to come and look at the area to gain quotes for the funding application. **BF**

6 **100 Club Draw**

DS drew out the numbers for the August draw and the winners are:
1st prize of £20 to Sarah Kohl (no.38) and 2nd prize of £10 went to Jan Foster (no.7).
There was also a bonus August draw with a prize of £20 and this went to Michelle Ferris (no.24)

Meeting closed at 8.35pm

Signed: *Brian Fry* Date: 8th October 2026