



**Minutes of Committee Meeting held on Thursday 26 April 2012**  
**at Gateways, Station Road, Lower Shiplake**

Present: Rosemary Appleby, Harriet Thomas, Liz James (Chair), Angela Cadman, Pam Hudgell, Beryl Lawson, Fred Lawson, Hilary Tucker

In attendance: Gareth Jones

Apologies: Pip Collings, Neill Wilkinson, Simon Classey

**1. Minutes Secretary**

It was agreed that Hilary would take on the role of Minutes Secretary and that Gareth would amend the committee list on the website accordingly. Hilary would forward copies of the minutes to Gareth after each meeting so that he could put them on the website.

**ACTION** Hilary and Gareth

**2. Matters arising from previous minutes**

**(a) Book of the Pantomime**

Further input would be welcome from everyone (e.g. as to information and experiences re set building, set construction, props, what to bring and what to do for particular production areas etc). Ashley is typing up a list of what is under the stage to add to the book.

**ACTION** Everyone

**(b) Pantomime Direction**

Harriet confirmed that she was generally interested in directing but was not able to commit at present as she was unsure of her plans. Ashley agreed to direct at the last meeting.

**(c) Leaflets for new members**

Pip is preparing these. It was agreed that this would be brought forward to the agenda for the next meeting.

**ACTION** Pip

**(d) Hall Bookings**

It was agreed that it was unfortunate we had been forced to cancel rather late regarding the comedy play evening due to the uncertainty about whether the event would proceed. The committee agreed it would be a good idea for Shaddo bookings to be provisional as far as possible and with a proviso that Nancy would contact Rosemary if a significant alternative booking was requested for the same date. Rosemary will discuss this with Nancy.

**ACTION** Rosemary

**(e) Costume sort out**

It was agreed that the sort out had been a success with all costumes listed and sorted into about 20 boxes. Ashley has listed the contents on her computer. The tower was thoroughly hoovered (thanks to Gareth!)

**(f) Pantomime DVD**

Neil McAdam has produced a DVD of the Pantomime – several committee members reported that they had bought copies.

**(g) Comedy Play Evening**

This did not proceed as there was insufficient interest for all roles to be cast.

**3. An Inspector Calls**

Both play reading evenings had taken place and had been both enjoyable and interesting – many thanks to Pip and Steve for hosting these.

After discussion the committee agreed that this was a very interesting play but that the roles were perhaps rather demanding. Pip reported by email that September was not a good time for Steve in relation to directing this, so it was agreed that we would look again at this in 2013 – Liz agreed to email Steve about this.

**ACTION** Liz

#### **4. Trial by Jury**

Liz reported that she was waiting to hear back from Bob Barnes.

Simon was also pursuing a potential musical director for this.

It was agreed that this item would be included in the agenda for the next meeting.

**ACTION** Pip, Liz, Simon

#### **5. Pantomime 2013**

The committee agreed that it was time to start thinking about scripts, and that this would again be discussed at the next meeting with a view to establishing a script sub-committee.

It was agreed that the following would do some initial research:

Harriet – Lazy Bees

Hilary – NODA

Gareth – internet scripts

Beryl – scripts already held by Shaddo

**ACTION** Pip (agenda), Hilary, Harriet, Gareth, Beryl

#### **6. Variety Fundraiser (Memorial Hall)**

It was reported that Simon is approaching potential participants and compiling a list. It was agreed that we would keep the Hall dates already booked on 28/29 September 2012 and use these for rehearsal (28) and show (Saturday 29).

Rosemary would leave this as a provisional booking and ask Nancy to contact her if a conflicting booking was requested for those dates.

Liz would contact Simon and advise him what had been agreed etc.

**ACTION** Simon, Rosemary and Liz

#### **7. BBQ Event**

Gareth and Angela kindly agreed to host a Shaddo BBQ at their home. A provisional date was agreed for Saturday 8 September 2012. Committee and members would bring puddings and salads etc as per last year. Gareth and Angela would provide the meats etc as per last year.

#### **8. AOB**

The committee agreed that they would like to make a donation on behalf of Shaddo to the Hall Modernisation Appeal. The committee agreed to make a donation of £500.

Liz agreed to write a cover letter which would need to go with a cheque from Neill to Pam so that she could pass it over on our behalf.

**ACTION** Liz, Neill W, Pam

Hilary had received a renewal notice from the Henley Partnership. It was agreed that we would not renew membership this year.

Pip reported via email that bookings were now being taken for the Drama Festival in Henley. No action was agreed re this.

#### **9. Date of next meeting**

**Monday 21 May 2012 at 8pm at Fred and Beryl's house – River Lawn, Mill Lane, Lower Shiplake**

The meeting closed with thanks to Liz for hosting.