

ARMSTRONG HALL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**REPORT of the Meeting of the Committee held
on 2nd March 2016**

Present:-

Mr. R. Davis (Thornbury Horticultural Society)
Mrs H. Dutton (Severn Vale Flower Club)
Mr. B. Haley (Hall Supervisor)
Mrs Shirley Holloway (Hall Management Committee Chairman)
Mrs B Ray (Thornbury Picture House)
Mrs S Richardson (Deputy Hall Manager)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Mr J Smith - (Chair)(U3A & Thornbury Musical Theatre Group)
Mrs. P. Denney (Townswomen's Guild)
Mrs P Latham (Thornbury Art Club)
Mrs J. Payne (Hall Manager)

2. MATTERS ARISING FROM LAST REPORT

In the absence of the chairman Mrs Shirley Holloway took the chair

(a) Redevelopment of Complex – Update

Mrs Holloway reported that there had been several changes to the original plan for the redevelopment of the hall, as the group had been advised by a financial consultant that funding for the original redevelopment of the backstage alone would be extremely difficult to secure but that a larger sum to cover the whole complex redevelopment would be an easier target. The dressing rooms would still be a priority but at the present time there would only be one storey on the site as opposed to the original two.

Members were advised that the latest fundraising event would be Jazz with Jessica and that the previous event, the young musicians tea party had been a great success.

(b) Bakery Annexe Roof

The roof had now been repaired and there was no longer a problem.

3. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS AND QUERIES

(a) Thornbury Horticultural Society

Rex Davis reported that it was only two weeks to the Spring Show

(b) Thornbury Picture House

Barbara Ray commented on the poor state of some of the covers on the chairs in the Cossham Hall and hoped that they would be replaced in the near future.

(c) Severnvale Flower Club

Hazel Dutton reported that the Club's Christmas lunch had been a success and that they had had two meetings since that time.

Mrs Holloway reported that there had been a problem with the microphone in the Armstrong at the Mayor's Tea Party and hoped that the problem had been solved and would not affect other events. Mr Brian Haley informed that the problem had arisen because of the channel that was used by the Hall but that it would not affect productions etc. as they each had a separate licence for their own channel. He agreed to investigate the cost of the hall buying its own private channel for the future.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Rex Davis informed the committee that due to the extreme weather and the fairground having been cancelled at last year's Christmas lights switch on the charity collection for the Hall had been poor. In view of this the Christmas lights committee had agreed to give permission for the hall to be beneficiary of the collection again this year.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee will be convened on Wednesday 1st June 2016 at 4.15 pm.