KETTLEBURGH VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

TUESDAY 7TH APRIL 2009

7.00PM IN THE HALL

DRAFT MINUTES

Those Present	Robert Marzetti (Chairman), Liz Marzetti (Secretary), John Bater, Corinne de Roeper, Jackie Clark, Sue Scott, Tony Murphy, Julie Todd, Margaret Meadows
Apologies	Patrick Garland
Minutes of previous AGM	These were approved and signed as a true record.
Matters Arising	None
Chairman's Report	Chairman's report to the Hall AGM 7 th May 2009
Report	Thanks to the stewardship of the previous chairman, Terry Comer, 2008 and previous years had been years of consolidation for the Hall. From this base it was decided that the time was right to put in place some improvements. Perhaps the most noticeable of these has been the refurbishment of the original pine floor. During the year the re-decoration to the outside of the hall was completed with the creosoting of the lap boarding which we did ourselves. The entrance hall and two WCs have been redecorated. New water heaters have been installed in the WCs and the kitchen water heater also replaced. Our red tables, that have served us well, have been replaced with fourteen folding tables. Six 6ft tables of matching design have also been purchased. The old tables and trestle tables are now in store up at Kettleburgh Hall and are available for the fete or other outside use. All this would not have been possible without the benefit of grants but, more importantly, with the continued donations from the village. So once again a big thank you to the organisers of the Village Fete and the Auto Jumble who, between them, raised over £4,000 towards these projects. We thank Pat Bishop, Val Compton, John Bater and Derek Holt and their respective teams of helpers for this magnificent achievement. Further improvements are planned for this year – for example redecoration to the Hall itself, replacing the curtains, putting lighting into the storage cupboards behind the stage area (which has now been shelved out and made available for the Scouts to use) and forming a pathway from the front entrance to connect to the road – particularly important in the wetter months.
	The Hall continues to be regularly used by our village organisations, such as fund raising activities by the Church and The Green, not

	forgetting our individual hirers – after all – that is what the Hall is there for. For example The Earl Soham Scout group and associated cubs and Beavers are regulars on Monday and Friday nights. We hope to attract more Hall users with our "new look Hall". Our aim must be to increase the Hall usage particularly by encouraging other local village users. As part of the drive to raise funds the Committee put on Cinderella in February of this year. Not only did it bring together a lot of folk in Kettleburgh but also from neighbouring villages. A profit towards Hall funds of £1,300 was achieved. Moneys raised from the monthly coffee mornings have become an important source of income so thanks are due to the organisers. Further Hall run events are planned. Finally I would like to thank the all the Officers and members of the Committee for their support and for their "hands on" approach to the running of the Hall. General maintenance is always high on the agenda as is keeping the Hall presentable – not necessarily easy with an old building - and so I am particularly grateful to the cleaning rota. On the accounting front Jane, our treasurer, has been kept particularly busy this year and we must not forget the invaluable work put in by Persephone Booth in preparing our accounts. Thank you Persephone. Robert Marzetti
Treasurer's Report	In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chairman went through the accounts. He drew attention to the increase in hire income and hoped that this trend would continue in view of the improvements being put in place. Donations from the Fete and Coffee mornings were very welcome. Insurance costs were up because the replacement cost of the Hall had been reviewed. Tony Murphy proposed and John Bater seconded that the accounts be accepted. The meeting agreed.
Election of	Chairman: Tony Murphy proposed Robert Marzetti, seconded by
Officers	Jackie Clark. The meeting agreed. Treasurer: Tony Murphy proposed Jane O'Leary, seconded by Corinne de Roeper. The meeting agreed. Secretary: Tony Murphy proposed Liz Marzetti, seconded by Sue Scott. The meeting agreed.
Election of	John Bater, Jackie Clark, Corinne de Roeper, Patrick Garland, Sue
Committee	Scott, Margaret Meadows, Julie Todd, Julie Lovett, Tony Murphy, had all agreed to stand for re-election. The Chairman proposed that a
	show of hands be acceptable. The meeting agreed.
Any Other	It was agreed that in future the AGM would be held at 7.30 or
Business	8.00pm. In the absence of any other business, the meeting closed at 7.28pm.