Wingham Village Hall Committee Report for Annual Parish Assembly 2024

The village hall continues to be supported by regular hires, has regular bookings every weekday, and offers our village a variety of groups, organisations, activities and events that bring our community together.

The continued support to our finances from Wingham Parish Council has been vital and their grant has helped us to reduce the hire fees to Wingham residents, which we continue to uphold.

Over the past year we have held various events, such as table top sales, craft fairs, a quiz and a Christmas Market. These were all well attended and helped to raise much needed funds for the hall.

The hall itself has been redecorated which has made the building look fresh and inviting to all. The guttering around the whole building has been replaced.

Parking remains a concern in particular at school drop off and pick up times. Some drivers are continuing to drive up the private road situated next to the hall and either turn around in private driveways or mount the kerb to avoid the bollards that are in place. Additional posts are due to be installed along the edge of the kerbing to prevent drivers from driving up and over the kerb. We do ask the access to this road is not blocked at any time and that users of the car park, park with care, courtesy and consideration. Please remember this is a private car park for the users of Wingham Village Hall and permit holders only.

We have more events planned for the rest of the year with a quiz planned for the beginning of June and another Christmas Market planned for the end of November. Please look out for more information on our social media Facebook page <u>https://www.facebook.com/winghamvillagehall</u> and in the Wingham Community News.

If you would like to hire the Main Hall or the Miles room, hire charges begin at £8 per hour *subject to availability. Please contact us at <u>winghamvillagehall@gmail.com</u>

The management committee are planning to resign at our next AGM so if you would like to take on the role of Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary or Bookings Clerk or would like more information please do get in touch.

Melanie Smith Chairperson