

BONSALL VILLAGE HALL – SUMMARY OF TRUST DEED

Bonsall Village Hall was set up with a Trust Deed on 25 March 1950 with three trustees and a management committee, reporting to the Ministry of Education.

Responsibility for the Village Hall was transferred to the "Village" by Conveyance on 29 January 1964. It was subsequently registered as a Charity on 2 April 1993

The Village Hall belongs to the residents of the village of Bonsall with Trustees being appointed to oversee the upkeep and management of the hall on behalf of the village.

There were three Trustees when the Trust was set up and currently there are four Trustees: Leigh Johnson, Judy Land, Peter Fox, Chris Broome.

Initially the sum of £300 was raised by donations from Village Organisations and residents.

Village Organisations listed on the Trust Deed as at 25 March 1950 were St James Church, Baptist Chapel, Wesleyan Reform Chapel, Ratepayers' Association, Mothers' Union.

The Trustees hold property and all land, moneys and chattels given or acquired for the general purpose of the Village Hall.

The purpose of the Village Hall is to provide physical and mental training, recreation, social, moral and intellectual development through reading and recreation rooms, library, lecturing classes, recreation and entertainment or otherwise for the benefits of people in the parish of Bonsall and its immediate vicinity, without distinction of sex and or political, religious or otherwise opinions.

The general management and control of Trust premises and arrangement for their use shall be vested in a committee of management consisting of not more than eight members of Village Organisations (exclusive of members co-opted – maximum three) and subsequently appointed at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) which is open to all inhabitants of the parish over the age of 18 years and upwards to attend.

Each Village organisation has the right to appoint one member of the management committee.

The Annual General Meeting was initially to be held in April and later moved to September.

Casual vacancies on the management committee arising as a result of death, resignation or removal can be filled on a short-term basis until the next AGM; ALL committee members retire annually at the AGM.

If any organisation ceases to exist or fails to make an appointment in any year the Annual General Meeting shall decide in what way if at all the vacancy shall be filled.

The Management Committee may from time to time make and alter Rules and Regulations for the conduct of its business and for the summoning, conduct and recording in a minute book of its meetings and in particular with reference to;

- a) The terms and conditions upon which the Trust Premises may be used for entertainments, meetings, social gatherings and other purposes and the sum (if any) to be paid for such use.
- b) The appointment of an Auditor Treasurer and such other unpaid officers as it may consider necessary and for the fixing of their terms of office.
- c) The engagement and dismissal of such paid offices and servants for the Trust Premises as it may consider necessary.
- d) The number of members who shall form a quorum at its meetings provided that the number of members shall never be less than a 3rd of the total number of members of the committee.

All payments in respect of the use of the Trust Premises and all donations for the benefit thereof shall be paid into a Trust Bank Account.

The moneys standing to the credit of the said Bank Account shall be applied as the Committee shall decide in repairing and insuring the Trust Premises or the furniture and effects therein and in paying all rent (if any) rates, taxes, salaries of paid offices and servants and other outgoings and in providing furniture, games, books, newspapers, periodicals and other literature and means of recreation and otherwise for the upkeep and improvement of the Trust Premises.

The Committee shall provide the Trustees with sufficient funds to meet all such expenditure (if any) in connection with the Trust Premises as the Trustees may be liable for and shall keep the Trustees indemnified against all liability (if any) in respect thereof.