



# Harston Village Hall

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## NEWS LETTER ~ September 2017

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The Trustees of the Village Hall feel that from time to time it would be useful to update our regular hirers by way of a newsletter, and we hope you will appreciate this approach.

### **Hall Improvements**

Good news we have raise the necessary money to insulate the roof and are grateful for the various grants we have obtained towards this phase 3 of our building programme. Work was due to start at the beginning of August, but due to delays in the contractors obtaining the materials, the work has only started this week. We therefore expect the work to run over into most of September so please bear with us if we have to make slight changes to our regular bookings and also have scaffolding round the building whilst it is still in use.

This should only affect the main hall and is a safety issue as there is no ceiling to protect users from falling debris. We may therefore need to close the main hall at short notice during working hours, we will endeavor where ever possible to offer the Large Committee Room as an alternative but some groups using the main hall may need to be cancelled. It should not affect evening and weekend bookings.

We have also now completed the sanding of the floors in both halls.

### **Booking Procedures**

We have now released all dates for bookings up to 31st December 2018 and you are advised to get your requests in as soon as possible. Even if you have had the same regular weekly booking for years we still need you to tell the Booking Secretary that you wish to continue in 2018. We constantly have new hirers wanting to use the Hall, so we need to know what is still available for them.

### **Parking**

The trustees recognize that on some days there is a high turnover of vehicles parked due to the number of hall users at the same times. We all need to be sensible when parking and for example, park nose in to the gravel areas rather than parallel.

### **Lost and Found**

We now have a lost and found box, do check it out from time to time to see if anything is yours.

### **Locking Up**

There have been some occasions when the building has been left unlocked and with windows open and the lights on after regular hirers have left. Please, before your group leaves, make sure there is still another group in the building and that they are aware they need to lock up. If there is nobody left then it becomes your responsibility to lock up and check all rooms.

### **Quiz Night**

In order to raise money for refurbishment we organize our own fund raising such as Quiz nights and the sale of cakes at the Saturday Better Brew café on the first Saturday of every month. Our next event is a Quiz Night on Saturday 14th October 2017. People can make up teams on the night so please support us by contacting Brian Nash to buy your ticket [bandmnash@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bandmnash@hotmail.co.uk) or 01223 874321 Cost £10 per person includes food.

We do value your support and thank you for taking the time to read this newsletter. A copy will be placed on the Village Hall web site and on the noticeboard in the atrium, but by all means, bring it to the attention of members of your group and if they have any questions or ideas then please contact those below. We welcome feedback from regular hirers such as yourselves.

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