

Village Hall Report 2021

With the arrival of covid it has been a quiet year for the village hall. The Preschool has opened and shut on numerous occasions and we gave them a partial refund on the Summer 2020 term. It was decided when re opening of village hall events was allowed not to rent out Stocking Village hall but leave it entirely for the preschool. Apart from the economics which would mean a loss if we let the hall, it was decided it would be safer for the children.

There were also no organised village events for the year with sadly no pop-up pubs which were always great fun.

Finances are in good order with a healthy opening balance boosted by two generous covid grants a total of just over 20k flowing into the Village hall bank account.

Money was spent on refurbishing the village hall floor, outside painting, and replacing two windows. A further 5K has been earmarked for the playground project.

A village event is planned for July 17 (if covid guidelines allow) a joint venture with the cricket club, village hall committee and Parish Council for the official opening of the playground and the centenary of the SP cricket club.

I hope the latter part of 2021 and through 2022 will allow us to get back to some normality regarding village events.

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