

Beare Green Community Association Trustees' Meeting



Held Sunday 2nd March 2025 – 7:30pm

Welcome & Apologies

Present: Paul Mott, Chairman and Meeting Secretary, Laura Mott, Trustee/Treasurer and Bookings Secretary, Steve Campbell, Trustee, Steve Killick, Trustee, Garry Anstee, Trustee, Alan Smallwood, Trustee, James Stuart, Trustee, Yvonne Anstee

2. Minutes of 19th January 2025 meeting

Approved (slight amends made as Alan had asked).

Actions :

Update from Alan on insurance claim re: window damage : as of mid Feb Alan had been in liaison with insurer and an apparent inconsistency arose between insurer and MVDC as to the excess—insurer says £1000 and MVDC says £250. MVDC now talking to insurer to resolve inconsistency.

3. Treasurer's report

- Current Account £1,434 as at 2nd March 2025
- 2nd Account £33,775 as at 2nd March 2025
- Total across the two bank accounts £35,209
- Paid out 21st Feb : £7,237 to LR Renewables (all paid now)
- Petty Cash : Events £406, Cinema £216, Treasurer £510.55. as at 2nd March 2025
- Growth in use of chargers – see appendix 1.

4. Bookings report

Bookings secretary update : the church will run a weekly Alpha course from April 28th, in the small hall. End date might be July but might be 4th August.

Wrestling no longer 25th October 2025 (we run bar), is now two dates July 19th and November 15th. (we run bar). Our website has been updated.

Dressage are coming back 25th March. Paul has written to them thus : “I hear you’re holding another dressage talk 25th March, I didn’t ask Laura what time of day or evening. I’m in the Warwick office that day and tend to get back late. **If you need to come practice the projector in the days beforehand, as it’s been a while since last time, and as I won’t be there on the day, let me know.** Laura will arrange for a trustee to let you in, (she’ll probably be in Reading, for both of us Tuesdays is our in-the-office day...)”

Slimming world : no update on their early stage considerations.

Jive dance - no update.

Tap dance – visited today; may use us. Footwear deemed OK for floor.

Amy Miller’s few spot bookings have ended.

It was decided to decline a main hall monthly booking request from Newdigate lunch club. It is better to hold main hall slots for weekly bookers.

5. Cinema report

- Steve reported a good turnout of about 20 yesterday for Paddington 3, with 6 coming from Capel.

6. Maintenance

- We discussed the village pond weed issue; the work will probably be done in April. Alan had concerns about how the machine could access the pond without tree work, as it may need swing room if it is of the type used at other pond/lake.
- Paul has replaced the broken towel rail in small hall kitchenette. Cause of slight mould smell is not known.
- The solar fitted 20th Feb is doing well, the wrong breaker was fitted so we'll get that replaced (meanwhile a software throttle on exports keeps it within the rating), and we await the MCS certificate which Paul will then upload with the "G99" certificate to British Gas to get export tariffs enabled.
- Alan has bought galvanised trunking and will paint it to match the hall. Steve K will confirm the exact Leyland paint with Ernie. A note will be made in the office file "receipts" of which paint it was, on a paint page with its own paint tab – and/or in the maintenance book.
- Paul has bought a fridge power alarm and needs to get on with setting it up
- Laura has made a poster and notes showing how small tables in small hall should be safely stacked. Paul to laminate and tape to inside of cupboard door.
- Paul has been removing some of the covid distancing round stickers from the floor. He needs to use white spirit now on some residue. Really this was John Bell's job but to be fair we've not asked him. Paul might remove the rest if not we'll ask JB to when he is next running sessions at the hall (vaccines).

7. Events

The possibility of an event to celebrate VE day on either Thurs 8th May, Sat 10 or Sun 11 was considered. It was noted that Dorking are having a VE day event Sat 10th. We decided to attend theirs but not do our own.

Barbara has told Paul she can help at jumble date

Valerie and Maurice Homewood have told Paul they can help in the afternoon

Steve has coordinated a lot of other helpers and reports total 16 helpers. Ample.

Christmas market date : 6th December 2025, ending 15:30 Start time 12:00, Laura is already starting to book stalls, and for fun day.

Jumble sale 8th March 2025 – 1 to 3pm Admittance charge to be £1, no hardback books no DVDs no CDs

Fun day 28th June 2025. Still pending confirmation of the band, third message sent today as Nelson Porter said before in late Jan that he was checking with other band members as he can do it (Prognosis). Alan is writing to Leilah Webb to check she's available to judge the dog show

- slots for stalls inside for fun day £5 outside £10.
- We still need a gazebo stock check and then Paul can get them before prices go up slightly in June

Any Other Business

Articles on Beare green interesting residents for the *capel and beare green magazine* were discussed. Paul is helping Jane Major source these.

8. Date of next meeting

Sunday 13th April 7:00 small hall next trustee meeting

AGM : Sunday 6th July 7:30pm – publicised in basic form at this stage at
<https://www.bgca.org.uk/node/118>

SUMMARY OF OTHER FORWARD DATES :

- Jumble sale is set for 8th March 13:00 to 15:00
- 6th December Christmas Market 12:00 to 15:30
- Fun day 28th June 2025, 6th June 2026
- Autumn jumble sale date not yet set
- Wrestling dates as above, band date 21st March