

WRELTON VILLAGE HALL

Chairman's Report for the Year 2024/25

The Committee and volunteers

Thanks to the Committee members, Paul Cosgrove who has done sterling work this year in looking after our accounts. Helen Young, who administers our fund raising events, Wendy Brooks our Hall Booking's clerk, Chris Bakes our Secretary, Mark Brooks for his DIY skills, and Sharon Lockwood.

Thanks also to Tony Miller who looks after *The Wrumber*, and his and Anne's time in their considerable work to the *Village-on-the Green* and *Xmas at Belmont* events.

My sincere thanks to *The Friends of the Village Hall* and other volunteers, who contribute greatly in the upkeep of the Village Hall and the defriballator.

Wrelton Archive

Helen and Richard Young continue to work on the Wrelton Archive, and Richard keeps us updated with the historical research in *The Wrangler*. Thanks to you both.

Map of Wrelton

Arthur Strickson has produced a fine historical map of Wrelton, which is available to be seen in the Village Hall and at *The Buck Inn*. Copies of this map are available from Arthur, with the proceeds going to the Village Hall. Many thanks Arthur.

Booking's

Our regular weekly clients continue to support the Hall, and of late the Booking's have somewhat increased, with the likes of 'Fitness' and 'Line Dancing' classes, and for the academically minded people, Andrew Clark is presenting a *History of Europe* lectures. Thank you to Wendy Brooks for the upkeep of the Calendar.

Finance

Thanks to everyones fund raising efforts we continue to operate healthily, and Paul Cosgrove continues to improve the financial administration.

Thanks again to Kathi Wheeler for auditing the accounts.

Building

The main Hall was decorated and new blinds fitted.

The toilet facilities were going to be decorated, but the Committee has now decided that a complete update is required. This will prove to be somewhat costly but I will be undertaking to find what grants are available, from the likes of *Community First Yorkshire* organisation. At least three quotes for the envisaged work will be obtained.

Outside, the drain next to the kitchen is completely blocked, so the pipe will be dug up and replaced. The cause has been the tree next to the flat roof, and this will probably have to be felled.

We have no further advice from *NYCC* for the possible installation of a EVCP in our car park.

Events

Our main events, *Stalls-on-the Green*, the *Wrelton Village Show*, *Harvest Supper*, and *Xmas at Belmont*, raise valuable funds for the Hall, so thank you to all who help organise these, and to the villagers that come and take part.

The *Quiz Night* at the Hall continues to be run most months, and is highly enjoyed by those who take part. It would be nice to see some new faces, dates are advertised in *The Wrambler*, or on the Bookings Calendar on the *Wrelton Village website*.

Playground

The *RoSPA* report again gave all our equipment a favourable outcome with just some minor adjustments to be made.

A grant has been allocated to us from the *Parish Council* for the upkeep of the playground.

We have been plagued by moles this Spring, but thanks must go to Sarah Hooper for catching two of the little blighters.

Don McFarlane

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