

**Minutes of Electronic Correspondence of the Trustees of the  
Educational Foundation of Abigail Bailey and Ann Levett  
On 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024**

**Participating:**

Melvyn Wooding (Chair), Raymond Dyer, Andrew Seaman, Arthur Wright,  
Sharen Hegarty, Louise Bishop (Trustees), Adrian Dale (Clerk)

**2024.13 May**

The Clerk presented the March Caretakers' Service Claims and Clerk's report.

	<b>Link to: <a href="#">Rachael Maywood's Service Log</a></b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
VH	Village Hall Caretaker	£180.00	
VHP	Village Hall Projects		
SH	School House Caretaker	£43.20	
SHP	School House Projects		
	<b>Sub Totals</b>	<b>£223.20</b>	
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£223.20</b>

	<b>Link to: <a href="#">Joe Routledge's Service Log</a></b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
VH	Village Hall Caretaker	£105.20	
	<b>Sub Totals</b>	<b>£105.20</b>	
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£105.20</b>

	<b>Link to: <a href="#">Jodie Keeble's Service Log</a></b>	<b>Labour</b>	<b>Expenses</b>
VH	Village Hall Caretaker	£148.59	
	<b>Sub Totals</b>	<b>£148.59</b>	
		<b>Total</b>	<b>£148.59</b>

**Clerk's Report:**

Village Hall

1. The car park track potholes have been filled and the track has been re-gravelled with 8-tonnes of gravel.
2. The tractor has been taken for service.

School House:

1. Green Thumb have started the treatment of the front lawn, removing moss and re-seeding.
2. The new gate has been installed in the rear fence, to allow for the lawn to be cut by the tractor.

Foundation:

Mark Hunter has been exploring future governance options using his sources as the Parish Clerk. Several Northamptonshire village halls have moved over to a model where the Parish

Council as a corporate body (a legal existence in its own right) has become the sole trustee. The Halls are then managed by a committee made up of councillors and co-opted residents. This has a number of advantages.

1. All legal liabilities are borne by the Council and not individuals
2. The Foundation can enter into contracts through the Council as opposed to individual Trustees having to be signatories to contracts (with the associated liability)
3. The Foundation can reclaim VAT on some purchases in the same way as the Council.

The options are going to be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 10th June 2024.

**Hall usage:**

May's usage was 143 hours, well up on 2023. Overall usage this year is slightly ahead of 2023 in spite of the aborted maintenance work in April.

Month	2024 Hours	2024 Hire Income	2023 Hours	2023 Hire Income	Reason for difference between 2024 and 2023
January	97.5	£1,278	87	£1,031	Extra catch up sessions from Ballet Academy
February	129.6	£1,527	112	£1,561	Election hire
March	104.6	£1,320	115	£1,501	Early Easter
April	58.8	£780	87	£1,271	Planned Hall closure (cancelled but not recovered)
May	143.3	£1768.63	113	£1,422	Gaming weekend and christening
June			112	£1,533	
July			62	£823	
August			36	£531	
September			115	£1,250	
October			75	£959	
November			114	£1,416	
December			51	£746	
<b>Totals</b>	<b>532.8</b>	<b>£6,664</b>	<b>1,079</b>	<b>£14,048</b>	

It was **RESOLVED** by majority of Trustees to approve this report and authorize the payment of the invoices.



Adrian Dale (Clerk)



Melvyn Wooding (Chair)