

Your Village Hall needs you!

In previous posts to the village, the Village Hall Committee has let you know that after 30 plus years of service, the entire committee will be resigning at the Nov 2025 AGM. This means the Hall would have no trustees or officers responsible for running the Hall. It would then be quite inappropriate to use the hall without assurances that it was in a safe state. Pretty soon the electricity and water would be turned off as bills went unpaid. The heating would fail as oil runs out and is not replenished. The hall might also become prey to vandalism with no possibility of claims as the insurance becomes invalid with no person responsible for the Hall.

The Committee has been encouraged that members of the community have been positive about the Hall continuing to operate, but time is running out.

This is a final appeal for at least three villagers who will come to our AGM on 19 Nov 2024 willing to accept nominations as Chair, Treasurer and Bookings Officer. That allows for a year to become familiar with the ways of running the hall under the guidance of the existing committee. At the moment, the hall has plenty of funds to ensure its long-term financing, so fund raising is not an issue. The hall is in a good state of repair and there are no immediate maintenance issues needing attention.

Should we not get this support, then the current Committee would have no choice but to use their final year of office to wind down the village hall and arrange for its disposal. This would take time but would be the only responsible course of action in the face of little practical interest in the continued viability of the last community space in Tiverton.

This will be the last appeal by the village hall Committee, so we do hope to see some new faces on 19th Nov 2024 prepared to take on responsibility for running the Hall.