

SHIPDHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE TRUST REPORT FOR PARISH AGM

Tuesday, 27 May 2014

Shipdham Community Centre Trust has again had a good year 2013/14. The Centre has seen its usage increase again as Mrs. Bonnie Tarsey has been the sole user of the Centre with her Little Nippers Crèche. Her service seems to be performing excellently and is over subscribed at times. This has meant that the Community Centre is used most of each week, and is therefore well able to meet the annual Norfolk County Council charges for the upkeep and maintenance of the centre.

The Centre has been completely updated and refurbished by Bonnie, the old bar has been removed, and the room has been adapted to its present role of a well equipped children's play area. Bonnie has spent a quite considerable sum of money in bringing the centre up to its present standard, and has plans for its continued improvement. She now has use of some of the field adjacent to the Bowls Club and the hard play area, where she has erected some expensive play equipment.

The recent European Elections used the Centre as a Polling Station at an agreed cost of £150.00.

Overall the centre is doing well, and meeting its obligation in making available the useable space we have on lease. Financially, the centre is secure and a majority share of the legacy we received is earning some interest in a deposit account.

The ideas for use of the Centre's money is under consideration by the Trust's members, with a view to providing the village with a much needed community facility. Action of this project is current and on-going.

The Trust is using some of its funds this year to support the village events to mark the start of WW1 in August and September.

Financial and status reports are in the process of being submitted to the Charity Commission and the trust is up to date with its obligations.

The members of the trust continue to carry out their duties to the best of their abilities and hope that this next year will see the Trust increase its investment in village community projects.

Thank You

Bill Fawcett

Chairman

Shipdham Community Centre Trust