

An update Report of The Sir Robert Geffrey Memorial Hall Activities and Progress to Feb 14th 2023, as a report for the Parish Council as trustees of the Hall, in respect of there was no time left at the end of the normal Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 14th Feb, owing to the very large agenda and the open forum content of the double yellow lines issues in Church Street and Tideford road, and the various planning applications, especially for the Mobile telecoms mast application on the village entrance

Report by MR Gingell, Chairman of the Hall Committee

- 1/ The Hall committee had engaged in applying for a Alcohol licence for the Hall, including the Solomon Brown room. The Hall committee were informed on Tuesday 14th Feb 2023 that this had been granted.
- 2/ Dick Kingswell is engaged and working on a business plan document in respect of integrating the Solomon Brown room into The Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall. This is required for the process of applying for a large grant application which will be required for the updating and repairs of the Solomon Brown room, should the integration with the hall project proceed.
- 3/ Graeme Francis and Mervyn Gingell will arrange a meeting at the end of Feb/early March with Mr Worden to discuss ways and legalities of how the Solomon Brown room can be attached to The Sir Robert Geffery Memorial Hall without out the Parish Council losing ownership of the Solomon Brown room.
- 4/ Bookings and use of the Hall are still good, and recovering to its pre Co-vid use, however the cost of the Electricity and Gas in running the hall are very costly at todays prices, with the recent quarter cost of electricity being over £500 for the quarter.
- 5/ The Hall committee has lost another committee member recently due to that person having a baby and new family commitments. Committee members are down to 8 no, from 10 members at the start of May. The committee will be looking to bring on board another 2 new members in the near future, to help with the fund raising and running of the Hall.
- 6/ With the successful application of the Alcohol licence for the Hall, Dick is now pricing up the cost of a small mobile fold up bar on wheels, that can be used at the halls events when a bar is being used. And can be folded back into a small mobile unit that can be moved and stored without taking up too much room.
- 6/ Recently the hot water heating system in the Kitchen has broken down, so there is no hot water in the kitchen to the hand washing sinks in the kitchen. Tom Doe the plumber has been in to look at the problem, and will provide us with a quote for a like for like replacement asap. Graeme Francis has been in contact with our Cornwall County Council ward councillor Martin Worth re Community Chest funding that Martin has left in his community funding chest, to help cover the cost of this heater for the Community Hall.