

# **Marden Parish Council**

## **Reports for Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 4 May 2019 at 19.00 By Zoom**

### **4. Marden Village Trust**

Marden Community Centre is operated by the Trustees of Marden Village Trust.

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Centre has been closed to hirers since March 2020. During this period Marden Village Trust meetings have been held regularly on-line.

It is hoped to reopen the Main Hall, evenings ONLY, in June 2021 though this is dependent on infection rates locally, and Government, NHS, and insurance guidelines due to be announced in May 2021. Potential users will be required to undergo training, and to adhere to the strict cleaning and sterilising procedures already in place, or access to the building will be denied.

The Trustees

### **5. Marden Recreation Ground Trust**

There is not much to report really other than the fact that the trust has received £25K in various grants! We were approached by Herefordshire Council each time and filled out a basic application and were successful on every occasion.

We have not been able to hire the recreation ground out for football or village events but it has been a valuable space for people to exercise and get fresh air whilst socially distancing. The real highlight of the year was the erection of the Christmas tree!

Now that the restrictions are slowly being lifted, things are getting back to normal and football clubs and village groups are making bookings again.

The trustees will be meeting in the coming weeks to discuss how best to use the grant money to benefit the recreation ground and the wider community. If it were not for the grants received the trust would have made a small deficit during the last financial year. The latest set of accounts will be presented at the AGM in May (date to be announced).

Steve Miles: Secretary, Marden Recreation Ground Trust

### **6. Marden Consolidated Charities**

Due to the Covid pandemic, the Charity has been unable to hold its Annual General Meeting, so there are no accounts available and in addition there has been no activity by the Charity.

Jane Keating: Secretary, Marden Consolidated Charities.

Alison Sutton – Parish Clerk

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