

Village hall 2019

It's been a good year for the hall hirings wise. A dance school started using the building every Tuesday at the beginning of November and a weekly exercise class now takes place every Wednesday, thanks to help from the Fit Villages scheme. Parking has been an issue at times with rail users using the hall car park and parents unable to drop/collect their children from dance classes.

Bingo sessions have been well supported (next one 15 June) and new ideas have been tried out with local musicians putting on a dance and Mandy Wood organised the Talent Show.

Unfortunately the mothers and toddlers group has folded, and the swing jive dance teachers Esther and David have retired so their classes have stopped. The hall is still a popular choice for children's parties, partly down to its very competitive pricing.

The cost of heating the hall has risen dramatically over the year, in line with its increased use, and the committee will have to consider increasing heating charges for the hall during the winter. A more competitive electricity provider is also being investigated.

Water bills also increased this year due to a water pipe leak in the car park. As a "Business" the hall was not entitled to claim back any money from the leak and we had to pay for every drop lost.

Mike Atkins checks the fire alarm weekly and is currently looking for volunteers to Spring Clean the hall this coming weekend

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