

Langtoft Players Committee

Minutes of the 27th November 2018 meeting in the Committee Room Langtoft Village Hall

1. **Present** – Jackie Dodds, John Stocker, Genevieve Stocker, Carole Walker, Val Gregg, Mathew Lee, Velma Denniston and Anja Greaves.
2. **Apologies** – None.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting** 2nd October 2018 – agreed and signed.
4. **Matters Arising** -
 - PAT Testing** – John said he is waiting for contact details of the electrician that did the test a couple of years ago. If that falls through, then we would return to plan B, hire the equipment and do the testing ourselves.

Jackie reminded the committee that she had sent an email explaining that a letter was sent to Brian Branch last year when he retired from Langtoft Players.
5. **Finance Report** – Joanne Clingo was not present, it was thought that the Pantomime was still in budget. It was agreed that the subs for Ollie Gregg being paid for by Players, in line with other technical and temporary stagehands.
6. **Publicity – Church Christmas Tree Festival.** Jackie advised that the letter regarding the festival was sent to Joanne. As Carol decorates our tree she asked for the details. As Jackie was seeing Joanne the following day she would pass them on. **Action Jackie**
7. **Juniors** – Jackie said that there are 10 children taking part in the Pantomime and that the licence required for children to perform had been received.
8. **Correspondence** – A thank you has been received from both Bumps to 4 for our donation. As well as a thank you from Rev. Carolyn Baily on behalf of St Michaels and All Angels church for the WW1 silhouette sponsorship.

9. Production update – Michelle sent an email stating, “Rehearsals are going well, scripts are down although a few are still fuzzy on their lines. Indie has done some fantastic sets but we struggled to finish during the painting weekend due to very short timescale on the Sunday due to Sarah’s cleaning rota. With how much we use the hall would be good to be given a bit more wiggle room so close to performances as we’ve had to book 2 more nights out just to get the backdrops finished. Could we do a publicity push on social media to try and boost our ticket sales? Friday and Saturday look to be doing well. Could we offer something to push Wednesday and Thursday’s sales up? Friends of Stamford and Rutland Theatre have said if we do a write up and send photos they will do another feature for us. Pics could be taken on Thursday as we’re doing a dress rehearsal to practice with the mics. Please can an email be sent to everyone asking for raffle prize donations, Vylma has a few already but would like some more.”

Jackie reminded the committee that the Director and or Producer should be invited to the committee meetings held whilst a production was in progress. It was suggested that perhaps they should have asked Genevieve to send out a request for helpers to enable them to finish the sets within the allotted time.

Jackie has been actively promoting the pantomime on social media and proposed that we offer a group rate of £5 per ticket for 10 or more to ‘Young at Heart’ of Deeping, John seconded and it was agreed unanimously.

Genevieve sent an email out on Monday morning appealing for raffle prizes. John will make the blackouts for the door windows.

Jackie advised that Mandy who runs yoga classes on a Thursday in the hall, has asked if we mind her putting the chairs away and put them out again when her classes have finished so that she did not have to cancel two classes. It was agreed that John, Genevieve and Jackie would move the chairs for her to ensure they are put back correctly.

Action John, Genevieve and Jackie

10. Any other business – None

11. Date and time of next meeting – 29th January 2019 19.00hrs