

Report To CHAFT Committee - Oct 2021.

Hall Report.

The hall is now fully open. We have decided what safety measures to keep in place since they are no longer a legal requirement. I think we should encourage face coverings, social distancing and hand sanitising where appropriate but not mandatory. The hall hire conditions will need to be updated accordingly. Users are encouraged to open all available windows and doors, with the exception of the fire doors, to allow a through flow of air. When the weather is colder this may not be desirable. Should we be considering installing extractor units?

We now have 6 regular groups using the hall weekly which a good sign that we are recovering. It is hoped that a few other regular users will return soon possibly after the booster vaccine is offered to the elderly and vulnerable.

Good progress has been made with the completion of the outstanding work resulting from the 2021 Health & Safety, and Fire Safety Report. Since the last meeting we have now completed the work around the Hall, including installation of concrete ramp, making good all areas on paths and patio. Handrails have been added at side of kitchen door and to existing wooden rail leading up to front door. This work was carried out by a contractor in good time and to the price quoted.

'Churches' service and testing engineer has now carried out testing and replacement of parts on the annual Fire Alarm checks at the Hall for 2021 (21st September). The Alarm Box at entrance lobby needed to have battery packs replaced, apparently after 5 years. Additionally, the Fire/ Smoke / Heat Alarm ceiling unit in kitchen was found to be faulty needing to be replaced.

The Portable Annual Testing (PAT) of electrical equipment in Hall was carried out on the 1st October 2021, by Lucy Gidersleeves. DJ was in attendance at the testing and found the testing process and visual examination process of hall equipment thorough. The urn was also descaled at this time, would suggest that the urn and kettles are descaled at least twice a year in future.

Dave Jones - 3rd October 2021.

Christine Trotman