

Village Hall Management Committee
Report for APM May 2015
Chair – John Bligh

The village hall has been widely used by a number of organisations and individuals throughout the year. The Parish Council holds a public meeting every two months (2nd Tuesday of that month in the the Margaret Preston room). Generally, Tuesday to Friday evenings are booked throughout the winter period, often with 2 events taking place at the same time.

Zumba classes have been successfully established on Monday evenings & Wednesday mornings & are well supported. Unfortunately, during the year, the Youth Club proved to be non-viable & had to be closed. Short mat bowls play on a Thursdays. The Friday morning mother and toddler group continues to meet, whenever possible.

The Social Club is open on 2 evenings a week. The Newton Flotman Flower Arrangement Club meets on a Thursday afternoon every month. The parish coffee morning has continued on the last Wednesday of the month. We have 2 regular monthly Saturday bookings with the Starfighters Rock & Roll Club and the 60's dances. Dumplin Country meets once a month on Sunday afternoons about eight months of the year and the school uses the hall on a regular, but ad-hoc basis.

The bookings diary is on the village website, so that people can get some idea of when the hall is available.

The Social Club has done a particularly good job over the past year in organising events, such as Curry Evenings, Quiz Nights & First Fridays (specifically aimed at attracting people with young families to come together), which have proved very popular & ensured that the Club has prospered, increased its turnover, which really helps to make the Hall relevant to the life of our village.

The 2nd Friday Fish & Chip evening has been a particular success and over the last 18 months bringing a large number of the village together.

John Bligh