

## **CREETING ST MARY VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT MAY 2024**

The Hall continues to be an asset to the local community and has again been well used for regular events as well as individual bookings. There has been a slight downturn in the ad hoc bookings in first few months of the year but recently things seem to be picking up.

We have had a change within the management committee following Mrs Bingley's decision to step down as Chair following 10 years in that role for which we thank her for her hard work and commitment in that role. She has agreed to remain a Trustee for the present time.

This has meant a change to the management roles and as a result I have taken over the role of Chair and Mr William Barnes has taken over Treasurer.

We have undertaken a re-organisation of the storage areas within the hall which has increased the capacity and are looking at a similar project for the cleaners cupboard.

We have re-oiled the Hall floor with the aid of a Locality Grant from Cllr Terry Lawrence and Cllr Ross Piper. This has reinvigorated the floor and provides a better surface for dancing and other events as well as helping prolong its life and maintaining the Hall to a high standard.

Looking forward we are about to commence the delayed refurbishment of the lounge area with some financial assistance from the Parish Council. This will involve removing some of the wall and doors between the pool room area, new lighting, altering the external appearance of the Bar, redecorating, new carpets and curtains. We also hope to be able to invest in some different seating dependent on funds.

We are also intending to update the CCTV system and explore the possible need for a larger capacity electrical consumer unit.