

Report to Seamer Parish Assembly. April 25<sup>th</sup> 2023

As far as work on the hall is concerned the most important thing to report is that the kitchen was refitted, thanks to the generosity of Seamer Parish Council. They paid for the units, fitting, etc then we paid for the flooring, decorating and all the other extras that are needed when you get a new kitchen. So it was a big job well done.

Unfortunately during the year we have had serious issues with the drains. After a great deal of consultation and work we hope the situation is now sorted. I think now there is just the flooring to be done. Once again Seamer Parish Council has partially funded the work.

In June we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We decorated the hall appropriately then along with Seamer Parish Council and the Friends of Seamer we held an exhibition along with refreshments. This was very enjoyable and well attended.

We also held our annual Seamer Fair Day coffee morning in July and the Armistice Day service on November 11<sup>th</sup>. This year of course we celebrate the Centenary of the Hall and the King's Coronation. Plans are well underway.

The calendar has been busy throughout the year. The committee decided it was necessary to increase the hiring fees slightly from January 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 so that we are sure to be able to meet all the rising costs.

So as usual we have had a busy year. We have a good committee and are very grateful to Jim White, the Parish Council rep on our committee.

As you know, I decided to step down from being Chairman this year. I've been thinking for a few years that I should but have finally made up my mind. I'm not going to get any younger or fitter, am I? It may have been a mistake to carry on for so long. Fiona Rogers has taken over as Chairman and I am sure she will do a good job with support from the Committee. Needless to say, like most organisations we really do need some new ideas from new people.

I suppose this is my swan song but no one is indispensable. So here is to the ongoing success of Seamer and Irton War Memorial Hall and Seamer Parish Council