

## **PARISH COUNCIL REPORT FOR BEALINGS VILLAGE HALL TRUST**

The Village Hall continues to be well used with a number of regular hirers, plus one-off events.

The reinvigorated Admirals Head Pub Group are coordinating with the BVH fundraising committee to arrange regular “Pop Up Pub” events every other month.

The first one was the best ever with over 120 participants of all ages enjoying food, drinks and raffle.

This year we replaced the remaining single glazed windows in the hall, toilets, committee room and snooker room – all funded by grants from Tesco “Bags of Help” - £1k and M&S Energy - £4.25K

The snooker table has had new cushions and pockets.

An application for a grant to extend/resurface the car park for £43k was unsuccessful

Current projects include possible extension/re-roof/extra toilets/expanded car park/enhanced access for the hall. Resurface paths and sports court and improved access for the Playing Field.

An architect and QS services have been acquired free of charge through Suffolk ProHelp with different proposals with costings being delivered this spring.

Both projects will require significant community response to assess need and extensive grant application work.

The new sports court bookings system went “live” in April last year with availability for the village hall or sports court via the Little Bealings Parish website or directly at [bealingsvillagehall.org.uk](http://bealingsvillagehall.org.uk).

Last year bookings for using the Sports Court were down on the previous year, and the committee is looking into different options so we hope that this will improve this year with the new booking system.

The Trustees of the Village Hall greatly appreciate the donations given each year by the two Parish Councils towards the upkeep of the hall and playing field.