

## **VILLAGE HALL SECRETARY'S REPORT FOR GREAT BEALINGS PARISH COUNCIL**

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

Current projects include the replacement of the remaining single glazed windows which we hope will make use of the village hall more comfortable during the winter months and also lead to smaller utility bills. The planning application has been granted by the Local Planning Authority. We hope to fund this project through a grant, we are currently in the last 3 for a Tesco's grant under their "Bags of Help" scheme and should hear this month how much we have been awarded. It will be between £1k and £4k. Success will help us TO replace the old Crittall windows in the Main Hall, Committee and Snooker rooms and the Toilets.

We are also looking into the cost of resurfacing the car park as the surface has deteriorated this winter.

The Ibooka system for sports court bookings closed at the end of March and availability for the village hall or sports court can now be checked via the Little Bealings Parish website or directly at [bealingsvillagehall.org.uk](http://bealingsvillagehall.org.uk), subscribers will be able to book the court via this website as well.

Last year bookings for using the Sports Court were down on the previous year, so we hope that this will improve this year with the new booking system.

A defibrillator has been installed at the Village Hall which was funded by Great Bealings Parish Council with a grant from Colin Hedgely's Enabling Communities Budget, the Trustees thank the Gt. Bealings P.C. for providing this.

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.

Margaret Wilson – Secretary Bealings Village Hall Trust  
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