

## **Ashendon Annual Village Meeting 2016**

### **Village Hall Report**

*Another good year for the Village Hall, although as ever, there is nothing particularly exciting to report.*

*The Hall continues to be used on a regular basis mostly by village organisations and most notably by the WI who hold their monthly meeting here and also their film nights which are open to the whole village. Other regular users are the Parish Council and the Church.*

*Over the last year, the hall has updated the electrics to comply with all the latest safety legislation and also installed some new heaters. We have decorated both lobby areas and partially redecorated the main hall. New projects in our sites include redecorating the toilets and the kitchen and to look into the purchase of new stacking chairs as the present ones, rather like the Hall secretary, are showing definite signs of wear and tear!*

*All the above projects cost money and the rental income we receive only goes a little way towards our total running costs. To make up the difference, we always have at least one fundraising event each year, the famous Village Hall Beef Pie Supper. This year's event held on 16<sup>th</sup> April was less well attended than usual, but none the less the evening was most enjoyable and still raised a healthy £690 for the halls funds. Many thanks to all those who attended and gave raffle prizes and in particular thanks to Kevin and Mary Nash who do most of the organising and also to Vanessa Bates and Ruth Pimm for all their hard work in the kitchen.*

*And lastly, the Committee would like to thank all those who contribute to the hall and help the village keep this valuable asset.*

**Richard Bates, Hon Secretary**