Ashendon Village Hall Report Richard Bates 24<sup>th</sup> April 2017

It has been another good year for the hall, although with no particularly exciting news to get you to the edge of your seats!

The hall continues to be used on a regular basis, mainly by village organisations, and during the last year more so than ever. Rental income has increased over the last year although not enough to cover all the running and capital costs of the hall, but it does go a good way towards it. Many thanks to all who use the hall, particularly our regular customers, the WI, the Church, the Parish Council and the yoga group (I am not a member!).

To make up the shortfall of income, the hall always has at least one fundraising event each year. This year we have broken with tradition and are replacing the usual beef pie supper with a Fish and Chip supper with quiz. And the really good news is that you haven't missed it because it is to be held on **Friday 5**<sup>th</sup> **May**. Hope to see lots of you there.

One very sad piece of news since our last village meeting is that our longest serving committee member, Andy Tomlinson has died. He had been on the committee for many years and put his trade as an electrician to very good use for us doing all our electrical work and repairs. We shall miss him greatly.

And finally, once again thanks to all those who use and contribute to our lovely little hall and keep this valuable asset so strong.

Richard Bates Hon Secretary.