



# Kelsale Village Hall

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Bridge Street  
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IP17 2PB

## REPORT TO PARISH COUNCIL FEBRUARY 2021

I am pleased to present this report to the Parish Council for the month to February 2021.

The Village Hall (KVH) Committee met on 6 February 2021.

1. **Membership and constitution of the Committee.** Kerry Vince has now formally joined the committee and is applying her digital and social media skills to develop our website and social media profile.
2. **Building Condition and Repairs.** Following receipt of the detailed survey report, which we commissioned in January, our insurance premium has slightly risen for the rest of the year (to 1/4/21) by £51. The premium for the next year will also increase to around £1468 – we will get a precise figure closer to the time. The informal tendering process for architect support has taken place and we have appointed Tim Buxbaum to assist with drawings for possible alterations to accommodate disabled access in the Village Hall. We are hoping to get some ideas following Tim's visit to the site (on 26 February 2021) of potential costs and locations so that we can have detailed discussions and consultation with all stakeholders. The Social Club representatives continue to work with us; Bertie Buttle and other KSC Committee members are involved in discussions about any proposals going forward to be presented to the PC. We are very much aware of the history of KSC and the need for full consultation and discussion of all possible plans for the future relating to the hall. Any proposals that would affect the leasehold area will of course have to be presented to the Committee and members of KSC for their close consideration.
3. **Challenges ahead.**
  - a. We are hopeful that a mutually agreeable proposal for disabled access to the hall can be agreed by all stakeholders as this would very much benefit the community generally. We also positively want feedback and ideas from all community members and will seek to obtain this on a more formal basis over the coming months. Kerry is well placed to help us from her past experience in putting together a detailed survey of what our community wants from KVH.
  - b. We continue to monitor our finances closely. We have received the East Suffolk Covid Business Support Grants recently, which certainly help tide us over.
  - c. We very much hope that a date when we can reopen – even if it is subject to many constraints – will shortly be in sight.
4. **AGM.** Our AGM is taking place on Wednesday 4 March 2021 at 7 pm by Zoom. All welcome!

I am happy to answer any questions the PC may have for me – by phone or email.

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