

Bartholomew Players Committee Meeting

Date: 24 April 2026
Draft Minutes

Present: Gareth (Chair), Debi (Secretary), John Palmer (Treasurer), Graham Diacon (EVH, EPC), Elaine, Denise.

Apologies:

Next meeting: Friday 19 June at 2.00pm

Agenda item	Comment	Action	Who
Minutes of last meeting and approval	Minutes from March meeting (recently circulated) were approved.		
Matters arising not on the agenda	Agatha Christie groups – Elaine to contact if possible Our AMIA play is entered for the 40 th Anniversary festival of ODN – an adjudicator will attend. Denise to contact re tickets. Police – seemed to have moved out of EVH so can't let them know about the mock gun. Decided that Denise will take the gun home each night to their gun cabinet.	Elaine Denise Denise to be added to risk assessment (by Elaine)	
Spring '26 Production A Murder is Announced	Going well and much rehearsal has taken place. 294 tickets have been sold so far. Saturday 25 April will be set build am, painting pm, Sunday 26 am will be set dress, and lighting pm. Gareth will provide refreshments apart from wine/glasses which has been ordered. Denise will buy ice creams John will submit a TEN request this weekend. Agreed that BP will pay for the first round of drinks at the Ready Steady Spice meal on Saturday night.	Gareth Denise John	
Finances	John has submitted his report. We have earned £145 in interest since we opened our savings account. John has an invoice from EVH – they have given us 15% discount for the past year. Graham will check this is correct and confirm John should pay it. John for the next meeting will evaluate the impact of the new Hall hiring charges our finances. NODA will charge us more if our ticket sales p.a. goes over £10k. Last year was £9,800 so we are close. Agreed that John will pay the 50% of the two members to whom we are giving a bursary – Nick Smith and Keith Pimm. NODA requires full payment by end June.	John	

EPC/EVH	The new charges from this month Main Hall + 9%, kitchen + 33%, small hall +10% - book all these together +7%. Gareth has provided a chain and padlock (code 445) for the ladder storage. Awaiting retaining tray from EVH.		
Health & Safety	A risk assessment has been prepared by Elaine. Needs amending slightly about the gun.	Elaine	
Publicity & Advertising	Our mailing list has been contacted twice with good response. Round&About gave us a half page editorial. Agreed Denise will send a third chaser saying Friday and Saturday almost sold out so book quickly if you want to come. Social media is getting lots of responses too.	Denise	
Membership & Subs	Everyone has paid membership beside Robert Fodder. John will chase.		
Other activities	Eynsham Carnival – Sat 4 July. Denise will ask if our help is required. AGM – at the Red Lion on Wed 1 July. Agreed BP will pay for first round of drinks to encourage attendance. BBQ – Gareth offered to host this in his garden – date tbd.	Denise Gareth	
Autumn production 26	Plaza Suite by Neil Simon will be our Autumn production with Lawrence Marks directing. Gareth has applied for (and obtained) the rights and has ordered scripts. Gareth will forward invoices to John to settle with Samuel French. Need to find an assistant director to work with Lawrence and be the key-holder.	Gareth	
AOB and date of next meeting	Date of next meeting:Friday 19 June at 2pm.		