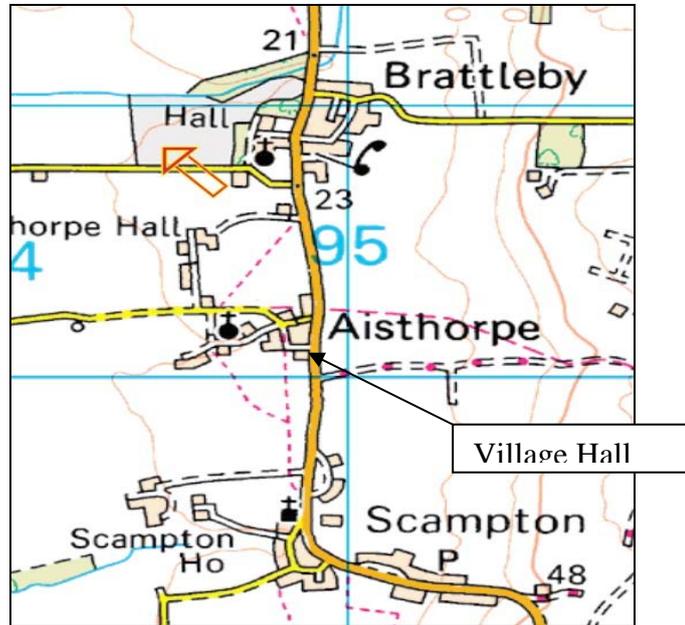


# Invitation to attend the Annual General Meeting on Thursday 31 May 2007 at 7.30pm in the Hall

Brattleby, Scampton & Aisthorpe Village Hall  
Village Hall Lane, Aisthorpe LN1 2SG

Internet: <http://parishes.lincolnshire.gov.uk/Brattleby/section.asp?catId=13585>



## *Directions:*

From Scampton → Aisthorpe (B1398) first building on left  
From Brattleby → Aisthorpe (B1398) last building on right

*Refreshments provided*

*If you need transport please ring 01522 731661*

## **AGENDA**

1. Opening
2. Apologies
3. Chairman's report
4. Treasurer's report
5. Development plan and funding results to date (attached)
6. Lincoln Short Wave Radio Club presentation (tbc)
7. Committee members election (nominees invited)
8. AOB
9. Close

## Agenda item 4 Financial overview

Accounts 2005/2006 BSA Village Hall					
Financial statement to 30 April 2006					
Receipts	Amount		Payments	Amount	
Interest cheque account	1.59		Water	197.01	
Interest Business M. Mgr	13.56		Electricity	70.33	
In payments/deposits	636.07		Insurance	424.08	
			Garden	20.00	
Total	651.22	651.22		711.42	711.42
Balance at 1 May 2005			Balance at 30 April 2007		
HSBC Cheque Account	1,614.86		HSBC Cheque	1,541.10	
HSBC Business M. Mgr	802.12		HSBC Business	815.68	
	2,416.98	2,416.98		2,356.78	2,356.78
Grand Total		3,068.20			3,068.20
Accounts 2006/2007 BSA Village Hall					
Financial statement to 30 April 2007					
Receipts	Amount		Payments	Amount	
Interest Cheque Account	0.29		Water	148.76	
Interest Business M. Mgr	26.67		Electricity	291.56	
In payments/Deposits	1,585.00		Insurance	377.25	
			DIY	1,152.00	
			Other	138.06	
Total	1,611.96	1,611.96	Total	2,107.63	2,107.63
Balance at 1 May 2006			Balance at 30 April 2007		
HSBC Cheque Account	1,541.10		HSBC Cheque Account	718.76	
HSBC Business M. Mgr	815.68		HSBC Business M. Mgr	1,142.35	
	2,356.78	2,356.78		1,861.11	1,861.11
Total		3,968.74	Total		3,968.74
Donations	1,251.86	1,251.86	Paid by donor	1,251.86	1,251.86
Grand Total		5,220.60	Grand Total		5,220.60

## Agenda item 5: Development plan

### 2006: First year's initiatives

The committee initiated physical improvements of the Hall on a relatively small scale, but of immediate usefulness, using available resources (financial but also volunteer work). These included repairing paintwork, improving the fire exit, tidying up the garden area and paths and keeping the Hall and the toilets clean, installing an outside light. An additional, modern heating system in the meeting room/kitchen at the back has been installed.

Contact with the users was initiated to find out about their requirements and ideas and to engage in forms of communication of a permanent nature. A questionnaire about priorities for improvement was distributed among all residents. The price of the Hall hire was reduced to attract new hirers and to adjust to the limited facilities of the Hall. The Hall is regularly advertised in the Village Venture (and features on the Brattleby website).

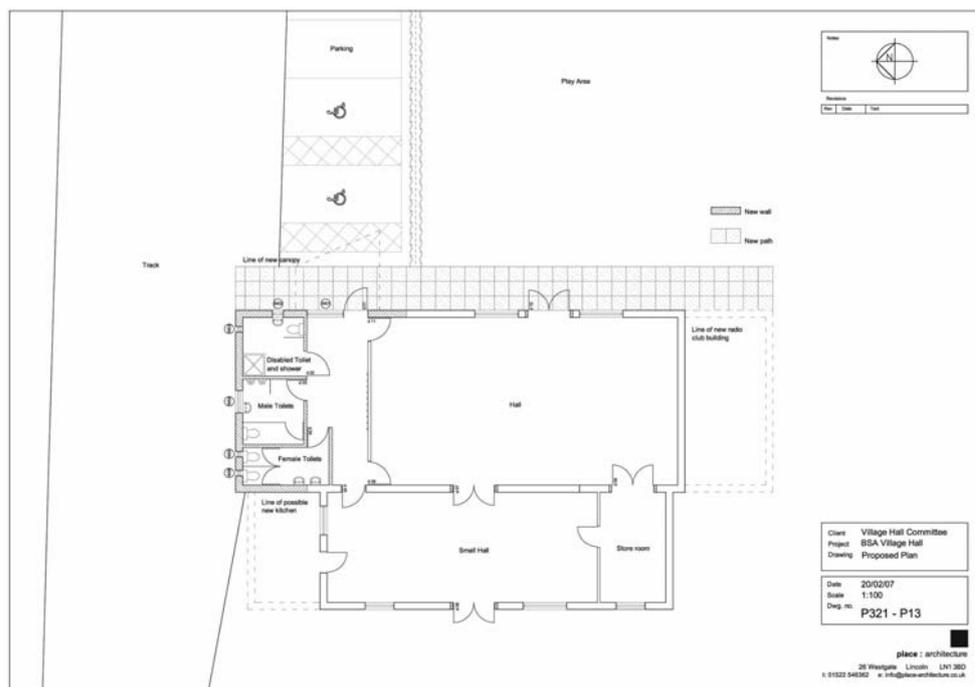
At the end of 2006, the Lincoln Short Wave Club approached the Committee. Their original plans to find a local base for their activities had met with difficulties. Eventually it was agreed that they will build a radio shack of 7,5 by 4 metres adjacent to the Hall for an annual rent. Planning permission was obtained in 2007 and work is to start the end of May.

### 2007: Second year's development

During 2006 the Committee explored possibilities to find funds for the further improvement of the Hall and to help increase usage. The following aims are to be realised.

#### a) Disabled access and toilet facilities

A major issue is the lack of disabled access and toilet facilities. We have a legal obligation to make reasonable efforts to provide access for all. Funding applications have been submitted to Lincolnshire County Council Capital Grant Scheme, WREN, (LEAP and Garfield Weston to follow shortly) to cover the costs of this refurbishment. We have sought professional help from an architect to draw up the plans (see plan below):



b) Heating system and kitchen facilities

A new heating system would greatly improve the winter usage of the hall. A new hot water system is also required as the old one ceased operation. We have submitted a funding application to E-ON for a ground source heat recovery system with radiators and solar panels for powering the pump.

c) Insulation

Double glazing, roof and wall insulation should provide the hall with less use of energy. We intend to apply to Awards for All to cover these costs

### **3. 2008 and beyond: Future development**

Plans for the future use of the Hall cannot be based entirely on previous usage (parties, educational activities, various types of committee meetings such as those of the Parish Councils). Important new economic, social and cultural changes are upon us. These include:

1. *Market changes.* Clubs and activities that were the mainstay of many Village Halls are returning to the countryside as prices in Lincoln and other urbanised areas are increasing and space is getting scarce.

2. *Demographic changes.* Villages attract many of the elderly – still quite active, but interested in a more leisurely pace. This creates the need for local facilities, to avoid tiring and unnecessary forms of travel.

3. *Innovative behaviour.* Money is increasingly invested to help develop the 'Innovative Society', to which the 'Creative Industries' are intended to contribute. A trend to move out into the country and work from home is already noticeable. This will create a need for local cultural development – and for accessible social space.

4. *Information access.* One of the drivers of the move to the country-side is a fast change in technology: broad band has made easy and varied forms of communication possible, as well as access to libraries and other data bases. This will create a local need for social engagement outside of working hours.

5. *Variety of social roles.* People appear to have moved to concentrations of people and leave the countryside with a lack of variety of roles to be played ('nothing to do'). There are now many possibilities to develop new and varied roles, independent of locality. An example is the growing ability to create avatars, new personal roles in social interactions.