

# Holcombe Village Hall Committee

We are a small dedicated Committee of volunteers who have been busy during recent years stabilising the underlying wooden structure, replacing all exterior panelling, main roof covering, windows, doors and generally improving the hall its facilities and accessibility.

The majority of the restoration has been made possible with funds raised by a group of volunteers at Glastonbury Festivals and we are indebted to them, thankfully the work is almost complete.

While the main roof was being replaced the flat roof areas were surveyed and deemed to be serviceable but obviously would require attention later, should the need arise we would need assistance to fund this work.

Overall we must be doing something right evidenced by the numerous and varied users of the Hall, Tai Chi, Pilates, Exercise ,Craft, Meetings, Brownies, Art, Band practice etc. all of whom enjoy this valuable facility not only for Holcombe residents but also those from the surrounding area.

## **100 years - A notable milestone:**

**7th May 1926 the Miners' Welfare Fund granted £180 for the purchase of land at £10 and erection of a small Hall or Institute seating 60 people containing a reading room and billiard table, (unsure exact date of the Hall being built). Further land was purchased in 1958 and the Hall has undergone various extensions and considerable maintenance which continues today. The Parish Council have been Trustees since 1970.**

The leader of the Art Group and some of its members have kindly offered to paint a mural, a trompe l'oeil on the end wall of the main entrance which should provide an impressive welcome to the building - the design to be confirmed.

Interestingly the Holcombe Art Group are putting Holcombe on the map again this year by exhibiting at the Wells and Mendip Museum , 8 Cathedral Gardens, Wells from Tuesday 14th to Saturday 25th April.

Steve Blount - Chairman