

Agenda Item Ref: Item 9c – To decide on whether the PC should be charged for the hire of the Signal Box for the Trust meetings

Report	<p>When the Signal Box was first setup, the Trust would invoice the Parish Council (as Trustee) for the use of the Signal Box for Trust meetings in the understanding that this was a measure whereby the PC is supporting the Signal Box financially. Robert Sprake the specialist charity solicitor we used said the PC could not formally have unlimited free use because it has an obligation as Trustee to get the maximum financial income for the Trust but a limited number of free days per year would be satisfactory (these have not ever been taken up). This ceased during the previous clerk's employment.</p> <p>Another way to look at this is that the Trustee could be paying for the use of the Signal Box whilst having meetings to transact business on other matters concerning the Trust (hypothetical but illustrates the point quite well, I think), i.e. if the Trust had other buildings or business.</p>
Issues	None
Proposed by:	Clerk
Clerk's Office contacted	n/a
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