

MINARD COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

Held at 5 Lower Achagoyle, Monday 24 April 2017

		ACTION
Present	Brian Barker, Margaret Moncur, Liz Taylor Feeney	
Apologies	None	
Not present	Alison Hay	
Previous Minutes	The minutes of the meeting held on 13 th March 2017 were approved.	
Actions carried forward from previous meetings	Initial feedback from the new cleaner Ailsa and hall users has been positive. Margaret to contact Ailsa to check that all is working OK. Complete	Margaret
	Check whether WLFCC web site links to MCT web site. Victoria contacted with details. Complete	Brian
	Margaret to chase up Macleods about start date for windows and doors on the shop No progress. Chase up again.	Margaret
	Minard Hall Conditions of Use, Margaret advised that she had received the Furnace Hall conditions and these would be used to help update the conditions for the Minard Hall. Copy to be circulated.	Margaret
	Develop draft SCIO constitution No progress	Brian
Climate Challenge Fund	Unfortunately, the Hall Together Now bid was unsuccessful. Feedback focused on evidence of demand for behaviour change activities and more detail required on carbon calculations. A decision on whether to bid in the next CCF round will be taken once details are published. Future community surveys will gather information relevant to potential bids.	
Windfarm funding	Mike is checking the situation with his insurers regarding the grill over the back door and whether it'll still be needed once the new door is fitted. Details still required from Mike. Three bids were submitted to the A'Chruach wind farm fund on 13 April. 1 – repairs to Auchgoyle Burn Bridge on the circuit to improve safety and ease access 2 – immediate repairs at certain locations on the Brainport Trail plus development of plan for future works	Liz

	<p>3 – reroofing and rewiring for the Hall</p> <p>Alison Hay did not take part in discussions on bids where Andrew Hay is potentially one of the contractors.</p>	
Potential projects for funding bids	<p>Agreed to keep a list of ideas for possible future funding bids on an ongoing basis. The consultant from Resource Efficient Scotland suggested several other possible sources of funding including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Low carbon skills fund • Carbon Trust - Green Business Fund • Tudor, Robertson and Weir Trusts <p>Future possible bids relating to the hall could cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Heating • kitchen appliances • an emergency generator • development of plans for an extension, including showers etc <p>Other ideas include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a defibrillator for the village (as Lochgair have done) • exercise trail • Brainport trail • parking by the shore • jetty • general improvements to the shore (maybe starting with artist's impression to generate ideas) • roof on the shop • equipment for groups – e.g. for exercises to improve strength, balance and conditioning 	
Treasurers Report	Nothing specific since the last meeting. Funds are healthy.	
Hall and Grounds Report	<p>Agreed that Colin to continue with gardening and grounds maintenance around the Hall.</p> <p>Regular bookings are as per usual. New booking for the General Election</p>	
Shop Report	<p>31 responses were received for the survey monkey survey. Discussion of the initial results identified several topics to raise in discussion with Mike and Syb, plus some to highlight to the Community Council</p> <p>Agreed to produce a summary report to share results with the community. Liz to work on narrative from comments made. Brian to work on reproducing graphs and tables.</p>	Liz/Brian
Woodland Update	<p>With more activity planned for the Brainport Trail we need to clarify boundaries and responsibilities for different parts of the trail as the Community do not own the land. Brian to check up with Forestry Commission.</p> <p>Margaret to check files handed over from Jeannie to catch up on Sandra's</p>	<p>Brian</p> <p>Margaret</p>

	correspondence with the owners of the field opposite the Hall.	
Community Surveys	<p>The survey relating to the shop was a useful exercise and agreed to conduct more surveys in future.</p> <p>Possible topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • energy efficiency (to support CCF bid) • paths around the village (including to Crarae) • ideas/volunteers for social events and activities (need highlighted in comment form the shop survey) 	
Fund Raising / Other activities	<p>Beach clean on 23 April went well with 12 people attending – similar numbers to previous years.</p> <p>Links with the school/activities involving (eg another pantomime). Liz to approach Lesley to see what we could do (including using some of the restricted funds for activities with children).</p> <p>Ideas for other activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • yoga sessions • restricted fund from playgroup – potentially do something for parents and children, repeat the pantomime • art related activity – potentially linking with the Art Class or Artmap Argyll. • poster competition in advance of beach clean to encourage children to be involved • help promote the informal walking/jogging group that is meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays. 	Liz
A.O.C.B	<p>Jason and Andrew have offered to replace the village noticeboard. The Trust are happy to accept their offer. The noticeboard needs to be accessible for anyone to post posters/notices (rather than lockable).</p> <p>(Brian & Beca happy to have the replacement on their house, provided no new holes drilled in the wall)</p>	
Date of Next Meeting	Monday 12 June at 7:30pm venue tbc	