

MINARD COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

Held at Minard Village Hall, Monday 24 July 2017

		ACTION
Present	Brian Barker, Margaret Moncur, Liz Taylor Feeney, Alison Hay	
Previous Minutes	The minutes of the meeting held on 12 th June 2017 were approved.	
Actions carried forward from previous meetings	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. Complete – details on hall noticeboard	Margaret
	Develop draft SCIO constitution No progress	Brian
	Summary report to be completed from last survey and published on web site. Liz to pass comments to Brian to include with graphics. Complete – report published on website with link from Facebook noticeboard	Brian/Liz
	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. No progress	Brian
	Margaret to check files handed over from Jeannie to catch up on Sandra's correspondence with the owners of the field opposite the Hall. Complete – files checked and cannot find evidence of the correspondence. New action – Alison to find a contact for correspondence regarding the field.	Margaret Alison
	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). Awaiting response from Lesley – need to highlight focus is children in the village rather than the school alone.	Liz
Climate Challenge Fund	Details of latest round published recently. Committee members do not have capacity to progress this at present. Will wait for next round.	
Windfarm funding	The Committee will continue to seek funds from other sources for rewiring, insulation and heating to complement the funds secured to reroof the Hall. The feedback on the other two bids was noted and actions agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • repairs to Auchgoyle Burn Bridge on the circuit to improve safety and ease access • immediate repairs at certain locations on the Brainport Trail plus development of plan for future works 	All

	<p>We need to confirm details of ownership of the Auchgoyle Bridge and land either side. No progress on the previous action (Liz to check with John Goodwin (who built the original bridge) and Margaret to check with Estates at the Council). Agreed that Margaret to raise at the next Community Council meeting (31 July) and ask if they are able to get details of land ownership (from own records? Or a request to the Council).</p> <p>Liz has details of costs of path counters for the bridge from contacts provided by John and Karen Taylor. The Trust is unable to afford this at present, but could include in the costings for the next bid for the bridge. In terms of timing for the next bid, the survey will provide more meaningful data.</p> <p>Conduct another survey on the path network (in the village and at Brainport and Crarae) to gather more evidence of support for the path improvements. Liz to draft questions, Brian to check how they can be included in the Trust web site. Still being progressed.</p> <p>Liz to see if we can get data form the path counter on the Brainport Trail. Still being progressed – alternative contacts suggest for Liz.</p> <p>Also, to talk with potential volunteer from Lochgair if they would like to help (they had enquired about work on the Trail)</p>	<p>Margaret</p> <p>Liz/Brian</p> <p>Liz</p> <p>Liz</p>
<p>Potential projects for funding bids</p>	<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 	
<p>Treasurers Report</p>	<p>Funds are healthy.</p>	
<p>Hall and</p>	<p>Discussion focussed on the need to get more quotes for reroofing the Hall</p>	<p>Margaret</p>

Grounds Report	<p>as that is a condition of the funding from the wind farm fund. Suggestions were made and Margaret will follow these up.</p> <p>The internal insulation works that formed the basis of the CCF bid will be reviewed to see if there are any changes that are necessary as the search for funding continues.</p>	
Shop Report	<p>The new bench was installed in front of the shop by Colin and the bench itself was provided with a discount from Frank Penman. The Committee noted their thanks to both.</p> <p>The remaining work relating to the work part funded by the wind farm fund is the exterior painting of the shop. Agreed that the Trust would deal with the front of the shop and Brian & Becs with the back (there is a responsibility in the title deeds to split responsibility 50:50).</p> <p>Once all work is completed a small event will be organised to celebrate the new look shop, publicly thank the wind farm fund and report results of the first survey.</p> <p>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.</p>	<p>Liz/ Margaret</p> <p>tbc</p>
Woodland Update	<p>Feedback on wind farm fund bid noted. More detailed work needed to plan an approach for the Brainport Trail. This might need additional funds and professional input – possible options, including funding bid to be discussed at next meeting.</p> <p>Discussion not progressed in detail – agreed to see outcome of the next survey</p>	
Community Surveys	<p>The survey relating to the shop was a useful exercise and agreed to conduct more surveys in future.</p> <p>Next survey to focus on paths around the village (including Brainport and to Crarae). Liz to draft questions and Brian to set up on the web site.</p> <p>Possible topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • energy efficiency (to support CCF bid) • ideas/volunteers for social events and activities (need highlighted in comments from the shop survey) 	Liz/Brian
Fund Raising / Other activities	<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 	

	<p>to be involved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • help promote the informal walking/jogging group that is meeting on Mondays and Wednesdays. • 'village outing' to a whisky tasting at Cadenheads in Campbeltown 	
A.O.C.B	Noted new noticeboard now fitted and looking much better. Additional keys to be cut, although Alison now also has a key	
Date of Next Meeting	Monday 21 August at 7:30pm venue tbc	