

MINARD COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

Held at 5 Lower Achagoyle, Monday 9 October 2017

		ACTION
Present	Brian Barker, Margaret Moncur, Liz Taylor Feeney, Alison Hay	
Previous Minutes	The minutes of the meeting held on 21 st August 2017 were approved.	
Actions carried forward from previous meetings	Develop draft SCIO constitution – No progress	Brian
	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
	New action – Alison to find a contact for correspondence regarding the field. No update	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). Liz given contacts at Mull Theatre/Comar who have a roaming programme – awaiting response. Not able to run pantomime – Lesley Goodwin had talked to Liz about Christmas party for primary age children and younger. Agreed to make a contribution (from the restricted fund), eg for an entertainer, for party focused on Minard school catchment and surrounding area (eg children at Furnace primary or local friends of Minard children).	Liz
Climate Challenge Fund	On hold until next round	
Windfarm funding	<p>The Committee will continue to seek funds from other sources for rewiring, insulation and heating to complement the funds secured to reroof the Hall.</p> <p>The feedback on the other two bids was noted and actions agreed:</p> <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 <p>We need to confirm details of ownership of the Auchgoyle Bridge and land either side. Community Council meeting on 31 July was unable to shed light on who owned the land either side of the bridge. Also unclear on WLFCC role in provision of original bridge. Liz has a contact for Rosedale who might have more detail. Margaret to continue to progress with Council Estates Dept – including fees for Land Registry if reasonable. Once we have details of landowners we can progress in more detail. No replies from people contacted – agreed to progress by paying for Land Registry Search (Margaret to arrange).</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Liz/ Margaret</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>Liz now has detail of the counter on the Brainport Trail (location, type and details of previous counts). This will be used in future bids.</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>Micro grants up to £500 (via WLFCC) – need to consider making some of these. Examples could include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • water heating for the village hall – being progressed by Margaret, awaiting outcome of bid process. • strimmer and other gardening equipment • paint 	<p>Liz</p> <p>Margaret</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	Funds are healthy.	
Hall and Grounds Report	Three quotes now in for re-roofing the hall. Margaret to finalise details and award to the lowest cost bidder.	Margaret
Shop Report	Painting work completed on the shop. Brian has contacted Mike and Syb to see if the Post Office will refresh the signage. Need to organise an event to celebrate the new look shop, publicly thank the wind farm fund and report	tbc

	<p>results of the first survey.</p> <p>Macleods still have to replace the downpipe at the rear of the shop. Brian to arrange painting at the rear once weather improves.</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>	
Woodland Update	<p>Feedback on wind farm fund bid noted. More detailed work needed to plan an approach for the Brainport Trail.</p> <p>We now have data from the footfall counter. Now need to progress the residents' survey and make contact with other stakeholders.</p> <p>Discussion not progressed in detail – agreed to see outcome of next survey</p>	
Community Surveys	<p>Liz has example questions for path networks. Agreed to focus next survey on the circuit around the village, including the bridge over Auchgoyle Burn. Liz to draft the survey and Alison will distribute to houses around the village. The survey will also include adverts for the AGM and invitations for people to join the committee.</p> <p>Possible future 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/Alison
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 link with 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. • 'village outing' to a whisky tasting at Cadenheads in Campbeltown 	
Xmas tea for older residents	Provisional date for retired villagers set for 1 st or 2 nd December – dependant on availability of caterers and entertainers.	All
AGM	Agreed to hold the AGM at 7:30 pm in the village hall on Monday 27 November. Margaret to produce poster and Brian to publicise online	Margaret/ Brian
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	
Next Meeting	Monday 13 November at 7:30pm venue at Seaview.	