

MINARD COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

Minard Foreshore, Monday 25 April 2022

		ACTION
Present	Brian Barker, Margaret Moncur, Paul Lomas, Maria Lomas, Bob Perrin, Maggie Perrin	
Apologies	Ailsa Crawford, Colin Moncur	
Previous Minutes	Outstanding actions included in this minute.	
Actions carried forward from previous meetings	<p>Alison to find a contact for correspondence regarding the field so that we can improve access to the Brainport Trail. Also need to identify land ownership at the bridge over Auchgoyle Burn (ACHA possibly owns land on the south side). Carried forward</p> <p>Crown Estates are a potential funder for improvements on the foreshore. Fred to provide more details. Carried forward.</p> <p>Liz has spoken to Laura & Mike Skelton re Brainport Trail. Mike was involved in the original work to create the Trail and might be able to provide some insights to help with future plans. Liz to follow up with Mike. Carried forward</p> <p>Need to make events and hall bookings more visible on the web site. Carried forward</p> <p>Acquiring a shelter/gazebo to provide shelter so that more activities can take place outside and reduce risk of covid transmission. (Using covid small grant from Council.)</p> <p>Liz to find details of shelter in use at Kilmartin Museum</p>	<p>Alison</p> <p>Fred</p> <p>Liz</p> <p>Brian</p> <p>Margaret</p> <p>Liz</p>
Minard foreshore/slip	<p>Plans progressing to add more fencing to demarcate areas for parking and garden/social space. Works need to respect the area where the fire damaged shed used to stand as this land is not owned by the Trust.</p> <p>Efforts to start tidying up the area will start on Saturday 30 April.</p> <p>Margaret has been in contact with Keith to arrange removal of the trees as he has the necessary chainsaw certificates. All the first damaged trees will be removed.</p> <p>Brian is liaising with the owner of the land where the fire damaged shed used to stand as there are some issues that need to be resolved and the Trust may be able to help with these.</p> <p>Agreed to procure a wooden bench as a memorial for Teresa Foggin and to mark her bequest to the community.</p>	<p>Paul/ Margaret</p> <p>Margaret</p> <p>Brian</p> <p>Margaret</p>
Windfarm community benefit funding	The Committee will continue to seek funds from other sources for rewiring, insulation and heating to continue the work on the Hall.	All

	The bid for funding to replace the bridge over Auchgoyle Burn was successful. A start date needs to be agreed with the contractor.	Brian
Potential projects for funding bids	<p>Future possible bids relating to the hall could cover:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • kitchen appliances • development of plans for an extension, including showers etc <p>Other ideas include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • exercise trail • Brainport trail – including solar alignment, bench (for Jack) • general improvements to the shore – parking, jetty etc • roof on the shop • equipment for groups – e.g. for exercises to improve strength, balance and conditioning • landscaping at the sewerage works 	
Treasurers Report	Funds are healthy. With the loss of income for from Shop rental we now need to plan more carefully as there is a projected shortfall. There are sufficient reserves to allow time to consider different options.	
Hall and Grounds Report	<p>Hall bookings have picked up, including with the new parent and toddlers group.</p> <p>Looking at costing replacement sheds for the hall as one of them is rotting at the back wall.</p>	Margaret
Shop Report	<p>Covid has delayed plans for conversation of the shop.</p> <p>Shop is being used as occasional storage for people moving home/working on their homes. Hire is at £25/week</p>	
Woodland Update	The Trust was not in a position to submit a bid to work on the Brainport Trail. The land is owned by several people/organisations and there will be more work needed to coordinate this to develop plans and progress any work.	
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 <p>Fundraising is now a much higher priority given the drop in income with the shop closing.</p>	

Web site and Facebook	Margaret to provide Brian with PDF copies of 2018/19 and 2019/20 accounts for upload to the web site	Margaret/ Brian
Events	Main focus of event planning is the jubilee weekend A date needs to be set for the beach clean.	Colin/ Paul
Crarae Gardens	Work has commenced on the path linking the village to Crarae Gardens. The Trust has not been asked for additional support at this time.	
Minard School	Now awaiting formal notification of the consultation on the school closure. Detail of possible options for the community need to be progressed and information shared on community ownership of land around the school	Brian
A.O.C.B	None	
Next Meeting	tbc	