

Arrochar & Tarbet Community Development Trust
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday 14th November 2017, 7.30pm

1. Welcome, Attendance & Apologies

Attendance

Tom Ireland (TI) Gordon Paice (GP) Mhairi Cadie (MC) (late)
Melanie Tonks (MT) Duncan MacLachlan (DM) Phil Startin (PS)
Ronnie MacDonald (RM) Lewis Kennedy (LK)
Cristina Sanchez-Navarro (CSN) CnIr Patterson (SP)

Apologies

Lily McKay (LM) Maria Pollard (MP) Colin Adam (CA),

Tom welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Minutes of Last Meeting & Matters Arising

2. Declaration of interest

There were no declarations of interest

3. Reports

• **3 Villages Hall**

There was an extra-ordinary meeting with the HMG the previous Thursday to discuss the letter that had been sent to the Trust. During this meeting it was proposed by the current HMG chair, supported by the 2 other HMG representatives at the meeting Mary Hegaty and Gill, that Mhairi now takes on the role of chair of the HMG. This proposal was welcomed and supported by the Trust directors.

RM raised a concern over MCs capacity to take on this role, in addition to her other work, personal and Trust commitments. PS noted that it is the Trust's responsibility that the other Trust directors provide sufficient support to ensure that MH's Trust responsibilities are excessive.

The licencing was again discussed. TI to take forward decision on whether the Hall should have a full or temporary licence, with Katherine, and to make a recommendation to the Board

- **Café**

No Update on Income and Expenditure.

- **Projects**

Community Garden

Gillian McGlone has started work on the garden project and good progress is being made. No invoices have been submitted yet but the Truth should look at what else she needs. CSN suggested that local DIY shops could contribute.

Action: GP to speak to Gillian about future needs

DM raised the need for storage for garden equipment and a place to change.

DM suggested a container. TI suggested an ex-display shed that could be purchased cheaply. MT suggested using the pavilion.

Action: GP to the new manager at the Arrochar Hotel to look into use of the pavilion.

Hydro

DM has suggested a new viewing platform at the pumping station, although has been advised by a Park Planner to move the platform above the pumping station. This possible new structure could be done in conjunction with the Dry Stone Wall Association (DSWA).

Area Map

The new map will be available soon for printing. The £800 required to print this is still outstanding from the Friends of Loch Lomond and DM has action ton

- **Treasurers Report**

No update on finances from Pit Stop and Hall

Action: MT to drop off box of finance document to Heather asap

Action: DM to provide update and material to Heather by end of week

Action: PS to ensure the £2800 is ring fenced for the garden project, including the £2000 grant and a donation of £800 from the Trust.

- **Community Partnership**

DM spoke to CP and 2018 is the year of young people and we should focus projects on this.

6. AOCB

DM attended the asset transfer meeting held in the Hall.

Actions: DM to send CSN and P list of options and CSN to investigate options for ownership

Emergency planning / resilience. We could get funding from Argyll and Bute council for this SP to investigate. And the Hall should develop contingency measures as part of good practice.

Proposed community event – stop off for planned charity walk. TI to bring details to next meeting.

DM suggested the Trust should provide a point of contact on energy saving initiatives for the local community. This is in light of the large number of fake calls that re being received in the village.

There is a possible issue with unpaid water rates. MC to raise to Heather to better understand the issue, and involve LK if necessary.

It was proposed to hold a social event on 10/12 to recognise volunteers and be a broader social event for the community. Action: GP & TI

7. Trust Update

Some discussion on further work that the Trust should be doing. There is a general feeling that the Trust should be promoting Arrochar as a destination and not a junction. A new sub group was proposed to look at this. Group should include CSN, TI, SP, Criag (VI) and Fiona Butcher.

Bank Balance: £6247.32

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 12th December at 7.30pm.