



OLDT Directors' Meeting

Minutes – Wednesday 25th September 2024

Glenluce Public Hall – 8pm

1 Attendees, Apologies and Declarations

Attendees: Mike Lane, Steven Newton, Lorna McDowall, Richard Rankin, Jackie Plunkett, Diane Lowe, Ewan Cameron, Neil Douglas, Kippy Thomson, Adele McCallum, Cheryl Garrity, Tracey Murray, Leah Chynoweth-Tidy

Apologies: None

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

2 Minutes from Previous Meetings

Minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by ND and seconded by KT.

Action(s) not covered elsewhere:

2.1 **AMcC** to add TM to her safe senders list.

3 Accounts & Funding (LMcD, TM)

The Trust holds funds sufficient to maintain our business and ongoing activities. The draft accounts, block grant, Killgallioch audit and new savings account were discussed.

Action(s):

- 3.1 **All** to review draft Accounts and advise TM of any amendments required
- 3.2 **TM, LMcD, SN** to confirm available dates for a Kilgallioch fund meeting
- 3.3 **TM** to arrange a Block Grant meeting with FS before the end of September
- 3.4 **LMcD** to confirm interest earned % rate on the new business savings account

4 Glenluce Village Hall (LCT)

It was agreed to increase Hallkeeper hours from 6.0 to 6.5 per week.

The Activities and Facilities Manager post was discussed. It was felt that a barrier to securing funding for the post and related activities was the lack of evidence of community support for activities at Glenluce Public Hall. Previous surveys have only received 3-6 responses.

Repairs and lack of awareness of hall rates was discussed.

Action(s):

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- 4.1 **All** to consider a medium-term plan to move the hall to a volunteer management group in line with expectations for the Dunragit Hub
- 4.2 **TM** to seek alternative funding for an Activities and Facilities Manager for both the Hall and Dunragit Hub and advertise the position once funds are approved
- 4.3 **LCT** to arrange a printed copy of the Hall rates for the hall window and the community shop
- 4.4 **LCT** to progress electrical and guttering repairs outstanding
- 4.5 **LCT** to progress installing a purpose-built cage over the projector box
- 4.6 **TM** to prepare and distribute a new facilities survey including in local schools

5 Project Updates

5.1 Glenluce Healthy Living Campus (TM)

The OLCF offer for additional funding for this project is still not clear. We are keen to push forward with the plan, but can't proceed until we receive some idea of a budget.

Action(s):

- 5.1.1 **TM** to request via OLCF further details of the additional funding that they have available.

5.2 Industrial Estate (TM)

The progress of refurbishment of the site was discussed.

The unit 1 lease to SIRTN Toys Ltd. Will commence Tuesday 1 October.

Unit 4 is to be readvertised to seek a suitable commercial tenant ASAP, not to be anything inappropriate for the existing tenants, such as heavy machinery or creating an unpleasant environment.

Action(s):

- 5.2.1 **LCT** to arrange unit 1 tenant move-in and our utilities and rates move-outs
- 5.2.2 **LCT** to re-advertise vacant unit 4 and log expressions of interest
- 5.2.3 **RR/KT** to remove the Heras fencing and concrete steps by the next meeting
- 5.2.4 **ND** to adjust rear security lights
- 5.2.5 **RR** to tar-plane yard instead of having the step and install the new external signage

5.3 Brambles (TM)

Brambles is still with planning, but the architect doesn't see any reason for it not to be approved.

Action(s):

- 5.3.1 **ND, KT** to carry out the safety repairs at Brambles, with the gutter a priority
- 5.3.2 **TM** to continue to follow up Council again for a planning decision

5.4 The Village Square (RR, TM)



5.5 Glen and Natural Environment (ML)

Three local volunteers will undertake non-native plant control and pesticide training 2-4 December and we are funding one of these places 50/50 with Friends of the Glen. Galloway Fisheries Trust treated the Japanese knotweed last week.

Action(s):

- 5.5.1 **ML, RR** to install a handrail and safety warning signage on the steep pitched slope
- 5.5.2 **ML, LMCD** to liaise with landowner Boyd and Stewartry Trees around all planned rectification works
- 5.5.3 **RR, ND** to cut up and remove fallen trees from the existing fence line with Boyd
- 5.5.4 **ML** to walk **ND** through the Glen

5.6 Dunragit Hub Project (DL, JP, TM)

The progress and next steps for the hub were discussed.

Action(s):

- 5.6.1 **RR** to arrange noticeboard relocation and bench installation at the Hub
- 5.6.2 **LCT** to progress sourcing bare-root beech trees within the landscaping plan
- 5.6.3 **ND** to supply and install a weatherproof external post box
- 5.6.4 **TM/DL** to order a cooker and dishwasher
- 5.6.5 **DL/ML** to look at catering equipment being donated
- 5.6.6 **RR** to follow up Island Leisure to arrange cabin electrical testing/certification and cooker installation requirements
- 5.6.7 **EC** to install low-light bollard and progress imprinted concrete terracing

5.7 Christmas Lights (RR)

The Glenluce Christmas light switch-on will be at 5pm Saturday 30 November at the conclusion of the Glenluce Primary Fayre the same day. Dunragit's switch-on will be Sunday 1 December. These are to be advertised in the next newsletter due out before the AGM.

5.8 CAP/LPP (ML)

We will look to progress again in the New Year.

6 Publicity (TM, LCT)

TM will draft a press release for Dunragit once the opening date has been confirmed. The AGM Public Notice was published in the Free Press last Thursday.

Action(s):

- 6.1 **TM** to draft press release for Dunragit opening.
- 6.2 **TM, LCT** to send out a press release on the 1st of every other month
- 6.3 **LCT** to issue next Newsletter at least one week out from AGM.

7 AOB

It was unanimously agreed to propose to lower the current Trust membership age from 18 to 16 in our Articles and create two new Director posts, taking the Board from 11 to 13.



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It was agreed that Trust updates will not be provided at future OLCC meetings as this information is issued in newsletters.

Action(s):

- 7.1 **LCT** to inform Jane McDowall (OLCC) that Trust updates will no long be provided other than the newsletter, but if they have any concerns or queries for the Trust at any time, they are encouraged to email.

Meeting closed at 9.35pm

Next Meeting Details – Wednesday 30th October 2024
(directly after the AGM, urgent action items only)