

GLENUIG COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Meeting of Directors in Glenuig Hall – Wednesday 29th August 2018 at 7pm

Directors Present: Eoghan Carmichael, Martyn Green, Glenda Green, Pamela Conacher, Sue McCann, Alasdair (Pod) Carmichael

Also present: Helen Michie

Apologies for absence – Zoe Pritchard & Alison Durbin

Agreed that Pod would chair the meeting and Eoghan take the minute.

1. **Minutes of last meeting** (12th July 2018) - agreed
2. **Matters Outstanding from Minutes:** all on agenda
3. **Appointment of Director:** Noted that Zoe Pritchard no longer lives in the area and is ineligible as a “Member Director”. Agreed unanimously to appoint Zoe as a “Special Director”. The meeting thanked Zoe for all her efforts over the years and looked forward to continued input and support from her.
4. **Admin & Financial Report**
 - a. Accounts for 2017 – Eoghan finalised
 - b. Business Stream Water Rates – Eoghan received exemption 2018/19 and to apply for 2019/20
 - c. ORCR Returns – Eoghan submitted
 - d. PRS returns – Eoghan submitted
 - e. Companies House Returns – to be submitted by accountants
 - f. Highland Council Village Hall Support Grant (was £1000, now £500). Eoghan applying.
 - g. Highland Council Arts Promoters Grant (was £1200, no longer available)
5. **Current hall bookings**
 - a. Eoghan submitted a list.
 - b. Helen informed that Art Lochaber hoped to hold an event on Tuesday 5th February 2019 (?) – Helen to ask them to apply for a booking.
 - c. Weddings – suggested and agreed that current fee for weddings (£800) be increased to £1200. Glenda to update wedding pack.
6. **Hall 25th Birthday Celebration**
 - a. Eoghan has compiled a list of suggestions from Directors and presented them to the committee (**Appendix One**).
 - b. Agreed that the preferred programme would be for local artistes (such as Iain MacFarlane, Henderson siblings, MacDonald brothers, Jims Hunter & Michie, Aonghas Grant, James & Kaela) on the weekend of 4th/5th April 2020, plus other activities, and perhaps Shooglenifty on the May bank holiday (Saturday 2nd May 2020). Eoghan to make initial approaches, and Sue in Glenfinnan.
7. **Defibrillators:** Glenda reported that Keith has a donations jar in Glenuig Shop to raise funds for this (previous minute)
8. **Climate Challenge Fund** Martyn has previously circulated by email (**appendix 1**) various proposals for the way forward.
 - a) **Hall improvements:** Martyn has obtained one very high quote for electrical works, and another

much more reasonable one from Graham Millar, with GCA with the option of purchasing fittings direct.

- b) **Glass Recycling:** meeting with Highland Council at Glenuig Shop site on 6th September to discuss viability of this proposed site. Zoe suggests it would be a good idea to make a wooden enclosure (just 3 or 4 planks of wood high at the front) around the bins. Position the fence about 1 foot in front of the glass bins and this way, it keeps fallen broken glass within the enclosure and stops it looking really messy and also safer for kids and animals. Take a look at Arisaig's glass recycling for info.
- c) **Public Information:** Martyn to order an Aboard or similar to publicised developments and funders.

9. List of Personal License holders for private functions: Eoghan provided a list as follows:

As below, £600 spent by GCA in 2016!!!

Year	Name	Cost to GCA
2013	Shiona Harper	£168
2016	Mary MacMaster	£150
2016	Ali Begg	£150
2016	Chris Pritchard	£150
2016	Murdo MacAskill	£150

Noted that neither Ali or Murdo had completed the process. Mary was still due reimbursement of £50 licence fee. Chris completed the process and paid & was refunded £50.

10. Funding for Hall in anticipation for 25-year anniversary: no update from Keith or Zoe.

11. Community Housing Project:

- a. Noted that the PH38 Development Company directors intend to wind the company up, and presumed the Crusher Sire development will not be going ahead.
- b. Highland Small Communities Housing Trust have approached Eoghan about possible up to five houses on croft Common Grazings below the Garret. Eoghan to seek update from Susan Hunter (HSCHT). Noted that neither HSCHT nor Lochaber Housing Assn consider the Crusher Site a viable option for their purposes.

12. Glenuignet:

- a. Sue & Pamela reported connections progressing well, some delay in opening bank account.
- b. Agreed that GCA should request a connection for Glenuig Hall.

13. Hall Maintenance & Running

- a) Hall Grounds (weed control, car parks) – agreed that car parks should be treated with Roundup
- b) Hall Cleaning (Gutters etc) – pending

14. Any other competent business

- a) Helen passed on the message that Ilona Munro has asked whether the GCA interested in joining the new “Community Arts Theatre Lochaber” group. Meeting agreed subject to further information being made available.
- b) As item 11b, agreed a WiFi connection in the hall would be desirable, and request to be made to Glenuignet.

15. Date of next meeting: no date set, but Eoghan to arrange a date in November for this and our **Annual General Meeting**

Meeting ended at 8:25pm

Appendix One

Time to start thinking about our 25 year celebrations in April 2020. Precise date of the hall's 25th anniversary since opening is 1st April 2020.

School Holidays run from Saturday 28th March – Monday 13th April inclusive. Easter Sunday is 12th April 2020.

Therefore, three weekends available: 28/29 March, 4/5 April and 11/12 APRIL (Easter weekend).

CONCERT MUSIC

Jim Hunter, Jim Michie, any combination with or without others		
Angus, Alan & Iain MacDonald in any combination or none		
Ian MacFarlane and/or Henderson Clan (Ingrid, Alan, Ewen & Megan) in any combination or none		
Chris & Zoe Pritchard		
Jim Hay, with or without others		
Ali and/or Jamie Begg		
James & Kaela (Kaela Rowan Band)		
Aonghas Grant		
Sorren MacLean & Hannah Fisher		
Duncan Chisholm and/or Ivan Drever		
Gavin Marwick and/or brothers (& Rob Fairley?)		

DANCE MUSIC

Shooglenifty		
Fras		
Glenfinnan Ceilidh Band		
Daimh		
Henderson Clan (Ingrid, Alan, Ewan & Megan) in any combination or none		
Genuine Draft	Seen by Pod in Orkney	

Daytime

Art Workshops		
Music Workshops		
Not so Serious Glenuig Games	Keep kids (and adults) amused during the day	
Café		
BBQ/hog roast		RNLI Mallaig?
Acoustic Music		
History of the hall	History of the Festivals etc prior to the hall	Possibly enlist Moidart History Group
	History of the building with photos	
	List of events	
	Display of old posters	