



DORNOCH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES 8th June 2020

Minutes of meeting of Dornoch & District Community Association (DADCA)
held on virtually video call on Monday, 8th June 2020, at 7.30pm

MEMBERS OF THE DADCA BOARD:

Carol Mackay – Co-chair – CM
Viki Mackenzie – Co-chair – VM

Gareth Dixon – Treasurer - GD
Kim Tewnion – Secretary – KT

Donald Goskirk – DG
Jerry Horack - JH
Shona MacDougal – SM
Peter Rowland – PR

Jimmy Melville – JM
Patrick Murray – APM
Jaen Rowland – JR

PRESENT

Carol Mackay (Co-chair), Vicki Mackenzie (Co-chair), Donald Goskirk, Jerry Horack, Shona MacDougall, Jim McGilvery (JMc), Jimmy Melville, Patrick Murray & Kim Tewnion

APOLOGIES

Jaen Rowland & Gareth Dixon (Treasurer)

MINUTES

Lou Rollason

VISITING

N/A

1.	WELCOME & APOLOGIES	
	The co-chair thanks the members for attending. Apologies received from Gareth Dixon (Treasurer) & Jaen Rowland.	
2.	MATTERS ARISING	
I.	Social Club Land	CM
	KT & CM have found the paperwork that is required to prove DADCA land ownership and will send through to the solicitor. It is in hand and CM will continue to work on this.	
II.	Dispersal of Books from Book Fair	
	No discussion on this & to be removed from the agenda until after Covid-19.	
III.	Flowers & Fairs (F&F)	CM, VM & LR
	VM spoke to F&F who agreed to take over the plant/flowerpots around Eaglefield and the Square. They will maintain them but not the other ones that are around the town. CM states the main point of 'Adopt a Pot' will be to encourage engagement of the people and the businesses of the town as F&F's will not be doing this next year. LR to summarise and send to CM & VM for final agreement and post as soon as possible.	
IV.	No One is left behind in a Digital Scotland	
	Nothing more to be done.	
3.	MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING	
	Co-chair (VM) asked for any comments regarding the minutes of the last DADCA meeting. There were no changes and approved as an accurate record of fact having been proposed by VM then approved by APM and seconded by KT.	
4.	POLICY AND RELATED MATTERS	
	No update on this matter due to Covid-19.	
5.	FUNDING APPLICATIONS	
	Hall Grant – KT has not done the hall grant yet but will do so. APM asks if DADCA received last year's Hall Grant and KT states they did and it came in in January, which is why it is not in this year's accounts.	KT
6.	MEMBERSHIP	
I.	Membership applications: N/A	
II.	Affiliated Group applications: N/A	
7.	DIRECTORS VACANCIES	
	N/A	
8.	CURRENT BUILDING	

	<p>JH has spoken to Wayne Dixon & Richard Mackenzie about the work required in the Social Club and CM agrees that if they are happy to go into the building, then she is happy for them to do so. To clarify, the toilets are part of Richard Mackenzie's work plans.</p> <p>JH will check to see if the work that was to be carried out by George has been done.</p> <p>CM & JH to get a quote for the windows. JH to speak to Wayne Dixon (painting) whilst CM will look at the regulations regarding the windows due to the protected status of the building (replacement).</p> <p>JH would like to freshen up the building and the board agree.</p> <p>CM spoke to the caretaking team and explained that due to the contract their job must be advertised. CM encouraged them to apply and this was understood and agreed. SM states that there is such a role of a janitor & cleaning person who would take care of small repairs. However, this is more down to wording of the contractual role. CM, KT & SM to look at local services available for this.</p> <p>KT states that building insurance runs out on July 1st and will get done by then.</p>	<p>JH</p> <p>JH & CM</p> <p>CM, KT & SM</p> <p>KT</p>
9.	OUTCOME OF FIRE DRILL	
	The fire drill was completed in August 2019 and will be done again in due course once the corona virus pandemic has settled.	
10.	FINANCE	
	APM states that very little has changed with a small loss of money due to the fact that there is no hall hire income.	
	There has however been a £10,000 grant from the Highland Council.	
11.	CARBOOT SALES	
	N/A – still cancelled.	
12.	COMMUNITY MARKET	
	N/A – still cancelled.	
13.	BOOKINGS/EVENTS	
	N/A – still cancelled.	
14.	SUB COMMITTEES	
	Invitations to stop until a time where they are more relevant.	
15.	AOCB	
	<p>CM: Would like to reiterate last month's previous point whereby she has spoken to a large number of people within the community (including those in the resilience groups) and the general consensus is that DADCA should wait until the money could be put to good use, rather than now when there are grants available for most good causes.</p> <p>Festival Week has been cancelled. Bonfire night is too far away to know. VM asks about the provision of making sure that the bonfire area does not get used as a dumping ground. CM</p>	

	<p>states that the locks have been changed and that there is only a small amount of wood in the area.</p> <p>CM would like to state she thinks it is exceptionally sad that Yvonne Ross has stepped down as provost of Dornoch and from the Dornoch Area Community Council in general. She would like to pen a letter of thanks for all her service to the community over the years. Board all unanimously agree.</p> <p>CM asks that DADCA do a press release on rotation for the DADCA 500 & the Adopt a Pot in the Northern Times (NT).</p> <p>CM asks the DADCA board to think of is how everything is going to change so radically going forward. For example, some yoga and Pilates groups are being held online and with this in mind, are they likely to come back to pay for room hire?</p> <p>JMc: Nothing to report.</p> <p>JM: States that DADCA should be known to be against the closing of the recycling centre and KT states she will take that on as an action point and send an e-mail on DADCA's behalf as the board agree that the closure of the centre will be a loss to the community.</p> <p>APM: Following on from JM's point, APM wonders if there's anything can be done with the Glebe Field area, potentially with a skip? Unfortunately, this would not be a viable solution however CM would be happy to offer the land to the Highland Council although it is agreed this would not help the situation.</p> <p>JR: Nothing to report</p> <p>KT: The winners of the Dornoch 500 – outlined below. One comment for consideration that KT would like to raise is within education there are schools looking for potential spaces to use to allow children to go back to school whilst maintaining social distancing. KT wonders what DADCA's stance would be if they were approached on this matter. The board thinks this is a great idea and something to look into as it could potentially affect regular hall bookings.</p> <p>DG: Had a conversation with his church's pastor about the potential of using the Social Club when the churches are available to congregate again. CM states that it is important to support the groups within the town as the Social Club is larger and can allow for social distancing. JH adds that the board should look at what groups would be allowed (for H&S reasons) to use the hall. CM states that it is unlikely that DADCA will be able to say 'we're open', instead, it will be gradual with what groups the Social Club can host, a case of when they become eligible for using within the governmental advice. KT agrees with this and states that they will need to create new policies for this soon.</p> <p>JH: Nothing to report</p> <p>VM: Nothing to report</p> <p>LR: Nothing to report</p>	<p>CM</p> <p>VM</p> <p>KT</p> <p>KT & CM</p>
<p>16.</p>	<p>DORNOCH 500 CLUB</p>	
	<p>Advertisement to be placed in the NT on a rolling basis.</p> <p>The draw is: £250 — N/A £100 – Margaret</p>	<p>VM</p>

	<p>£50 – Niall Grant £25 – Irene Hart £25 – Ronald & Caroline Gordon £25 – N/A £25 – N/A</p> <p>Three total winners. 0 x £250, 2 x £100, 1 x £50 & 2 x £25</p> <p>To be posted on Facebook by KT this evening.</p>	
17.	CLOSING	
	The chairs thank everyone for attending and the meeting is closed at 20:29	
18.	DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 13TH JULY, 2020: 7:30 PM – VIA CONFERENCE CALL	