



# DORNOCH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020

**Minutes of meeting of Dornoch & District Community Association (DADCA)  
held on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020, at Dornoch Social Club, School Hill, Dornoch at 7.30pm**

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<b>PRESENT</b>	Carol Mackay (Co-chair), Vicki Mackenzie (Co-chair), Donald Goskirk, Jim McGilvery, Jerry Horack, Shona MacDougall, Jimmy Melville, Jaen Rowland, Peter Rowland & Kim Tewnion
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Gareth Dixon (Treasurer) & Patrick Murray
<b>MINUTES</b>	Lou Rollason
<b>VISITING</b>	Yvonne Ross – Youth Café

<b>1.</b>	<b>WELCOME &amp; APOLOGIES</b>	
	The chairs thank the members for attending. Apologies received from: Paddy Murray & Gareth Dixon.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>	
	<p><b>Youth Club</b>  Yvonne: The Co-Chair welcomes Yvonne from the Youth Club who states that attendance ranges between 10 – 20 pax, with 15 on average. The teenagers who need it the most are attending &amp; they enjoy coming.  A few issues with cleaning the room, which they've done several times and shifted the Christmas decorations only to find them in the same spot next week. They purchased new pool cues and the week they came in and couldn't use the place because of the Santa's Grotto's set up.  No incidents until last Tuesday where the fire alarm was set off accidentally.  The group are a difficult one to reach, and a few of them have no other groups they go to. Most are between 15 – 16 years old. A few younger ones come, but they're in the coffee lounge and not using the 'designated room'.  Other than the few issues mentioned, they've been enjoying it and it has been good.</p> <p>CM states: The issue with the fire alarm is fine, due to the time they've had the space, and this is the only instance of something like this has happened and the co-chair understands this.  The use of the room and the double bookings is a concern. Because the room was not being used by the Youth Group it consequently got used as a dumping ground &amp; this will be amended. The room was double booked once when a previous group had already booked it.  The Christmas decorations will be moved upstairs.  CM to find out if the stage is used.  Lou to e-mail out the groups and make them aware that this area is not to be used as a dead space/dumping ground.  CM states how important that the Youth Group are to DADCA and that they are seen as a priority as it so important to engage the younger community.  YR states that she is looking at having a younger group session an hour beforehand - subject to funding.  YR states that there could be a requirement for an overlapping trust that would take on an overarching view of Dornoch which consider all the groups. For instance, DADCA and other groups have put plans on hold to see what other groups do, so this would be the opportunity to have everyone round the table. DADCA, DACIC &amp; Dornoch Community Council would be invited to join originally.</p> <p>YR states the plans for a VE Day on 8<sup>th</sup> May – the plan would be a small type party on the cathedral green (2:30 start) for anyone in the nursing home, anyone over 70 as well. Asking for the stage so the musicians and piper can have a place. Opening it up to the groups (for example Allsorts for stalls for selling cakes etc). YR to send a spreadsheet for VE &amp; on jobs required for the room.</p>	<b>LR &amp; CM</b>
<b>3.</b>	<b>Social Club Land</b>  All but sold. Just need a few more documents needed for the lawyer. Bank Statement & the front page of the memo and articles. KT to do this.	<b>KT</b>

<b>4.</b>	<b>Book Fair Status</b> CM to speak to James – Thursday (12 <sup>th</sup> ). To publicise that DADCA are no longer taking donations.	JR, CM & KT
<b>5.</b>	<b>Flowers &amp; Fairs (F&amp;F)</b> VM states that PM sent an email stating that Flowers & Fairs have had little interest from the Northern Times article, but they have potentially found someone to take over the gardening side of it, but not the watering. This needs to be clarified to see at what stage this is at – VM to action. If not, DADCA will take over for one year as the funds are available.	VM
<b>6.</b>	<b>MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING</b> Co-chair (CM) asked for any comments regarding the minute of the Board meeting of 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2020. There were no changes and approved as an accurate record of fact having been proposed by VM then approved by KT seconded by APM.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>POLICY AND RELATED MATTERS</b> SM to speak to Sandy Fraser & get an update to the board.	SM
<b>8.</b>	<b>FUNDING APPLICATIONS</b> Hall Grant – To do.	KT
<b>9.</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP</b> <b>Tim Bowditch</b> 1 Maclennan Court, Dornoch, IV25 3AF – Approved by board.	
<b>10.</b>	<b>DIRECTORS VACANCIES</b> N/A	
<b>11.</b>	<b>CURRENT BUILDING</b> The board welcome back Jerry and thank him for the outstanding work he's done on his return. JH – The cost and the problem can outweigh each other, for instance the roof. Looking at getting the guttering done at the back of the building. Electrical inspection to be done - CM The use of the building – some are taking advantage & there is a real issue regarding cleanliness. LR to reiterate this her monthly e-mails to the groups. The fire alarm has had a temporary fix. The alarm is functional and fully working now, but JH has purchased the replacement glass and will replace. The bins (recycling and green) were full and overflowing and appear to not have been put out. JM – Get the building fit for use, however we should focus on getting a new community centre.  The board agree that we are not happy with the cleanliness of the building and its upkeep recently. This role needs to be re-advertised with the specifics of what needs to be done. KT & CM to do this. JH & CM to sit down with the current team. Congratulations & thanks from the entire board to DG and Dave Mahoney	JH CM LR  CM & KT JH & CM

<b>12.</b>	<b>OUTCOME OF FIRE DRILL</b>	
	Fire drill was completed in August and will be done again in due course.	
<b>13.</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>	
	GD & APM not available. But finances are as expected from the reports.	
<b>14.</b>	<b>CARBOOT SALES</b>	
	April – KT May – VM June - JR & PR August – AMP September – KT	<b>ALL</b>
	Bookings coming in fine. LR to advertise at the beginning of April.	<b>LR</b>
<b>15.</b>	<b>COMMUNITY MARKET</b>	
	Invite Sarah Wheeling to the next meeting	<b>VM</b>
<b>16.</b>	<b>BOOKINGS/EVENTS</b>	
	Nothing to discuss at this meeting.	<b>LR</b>
<b>17.</b>	<b>SUB COMMITTEES</b>	
	Invitation to the next Board meeting (April): Sarah Wheeling	<b>VM</b>
<b>18.</b>	<b>AOCB</b>	
	LR – Maintenance Spreadsheet made up & to share.	<b>LR</b>
<b>19.</b>	<b>DORNOCH 500 CLUB</b>	
	Tickets sales are doing fine. Mother's Day has helped.	
	The draw is: £250 – 70 £100 – 468 £50 – 365 £25 – 283 £25 – 466 £25 – 106 £25 – 403	<b>KT</b>
	Four total winners.	
	To be posted on Facebook.	
<b>20.</b>	<b>CLOSING</b>	
	The chairs thank everyone for attending and the meeting is closed at 20:49	
<b>21.</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 13<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2020: 7:30 PM – DORNOCH SOCIAL CLUB</b>	