



# DORNOCH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020

**Minutes of meeting of Dornoch & District Community Association (DADCA)  
held on virtually by conference call on Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> May 2020, at 7.30pm**

**MEMBERS OF THE DADCA BOARD:**

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Carol Mackay – Co-chair – CM  
Viki Mackenzie – Co-chair – VM  
Gareth Dixon – Treasurer - GD

Jim McGilvery – Councillor – JMc  
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

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**PRESENT**

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

**APOLOGIES**

Gareth Dixon (Treasurer) & Donald Goskirk, Jaen Rowland

**MINUTES**

Lou Rollason

**VISITING**

N/A

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| <b>1.</b>   | <b>WELCOME &amp; APOLOGIES</b>   |         |
|             | The Chair's thank the members for attending. Apologies received from Gareth Dixon (Treasurer), Donald Goskirk & Jaen Rowland.  |         |
| <b>2.</b>   | <b>MATTERS ARISING</b>   |         |
| <b>I.</b>   | <b>Social Club Land</b>  |         |
|             | The solicitor previously asked if DADCA actually owned the land and although DADCA does, the evidence needs to be found. This will progress but it will be slowly at the moment due to Covid-19.   | CM & KT |
|             | JM states that the trustees owned the social club previously and it was then sold to DADCA. The DADCA solicitor has that information but requires more evidence (title deeds). KT states there is a secure box which may have information regarding this which she will have a look at. APM asks if the previous board members may know more and CM will reach out to them.  |         |
| <b>II.</b>  | <b>Dispersal of Books from Book Fair</b>   |         |
|             | Not discussed at this meeting.   |         |
| <b>III.</b> | <b>Flowers &amp; Fairs</b>   |         |
|             | VM states that Barbara (Chair of Flowers & Fairs) is waiting to hear back from Greens. Someone has offered to take responsibility for one of the planters on the High Street and has suggested that maybe this should be posted on social media/advertised to see if any other businesses would like to take care of them – the plant and compost etc would be provided. SM states that there is sponsorship of planters in other areas. CM & LR to create a post that advertises this even in this time as long as people keep social distancing etc. | CM & LR |
| <b>IV.</b>  | <b>No One is left behind in a Digital Scotland</b>   |         |
|             | No current progress.   |         |
| <b>3.</b>   | <b>MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING</b>   |         |
|             | Co-chair (CM) asked for any comments regarding the minutes of the Board meeting of 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2020. There were no changes and approved as an accurate record of fact having been proposed by CM then approved by VM seconded by KT.  |         |
| <b>4.</b>   | <b>POLICY AND RELATED MATTERS</b>  |         |
|             | SM spoke to Sandy Fraser before lockdown commenced and stated they had a very helpful meeting and this will progress when the climate changes.   | SM      |
| <b>5.</b>   | <b>FUNDING APPLICATIONS</b>  |         |
|             | Hall Grant – KT to do.   | KT      |
| <b>6.</b>   | <b>MEMBERSHIP</b>  |         |
| <b>I.</b>   | Membership applications: N/A   |         |
| <b>II.</b>  | Affiliated Group applications: N/A   |         |

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| <b>7.</b>  | <b>DIRECTORS VACANCIES</b>   |          |
|            | N/A  |          |
| <b>8.</b>  | <b>CURRENT BUILDING</b>  |          |
|            | <p>CM states that George Club is wanting to do some clearing in the back of the land but will progress in due course. JH states that the door may be able to get done as it is external however any work needing done on the inside is still an issue due to governmental advice.</p> <p>Wayne Dixon (painting &amp; varnishing) is interested in taking on the painting of the hall, however it is dependent on lockdown allowances. SM stated that she got work done at her property, but it was emergency work and required lots of paperwork. It was only allowed under government advice because it was an emergency. The works still required at her property (decoration) must be done after lockdown.</p> <p>The building itself (CM states) is secure but the Social Club should not be seen to be utilising tradespeople in this time as it is a public building. CM does agree that the board should approach the correct people for when lockdown is lifted.</p> <p>JM states that the state of the windows are bad. Previously when CM had to deal with repairs for them (pheasant breaking them) she was given a quote that at the time was out of the question. The idea of just painting over them would not be worthwhile because of the state of them so this is something that will be looked into.</p> | CM & JH  |
| <b>9.</b>  | <b>OUTCOME OF FIRE DRILL</b>   |          |
|            | The fire drill was completed in August 2019 and will be done again in due course once the corona virus pandemic has settled.   |          |
| <b>10.</b> | <b>FINANCE</b>   |          |
|            | <p>APM states that the accounts look healthy and that there has been next to no changes with incomings and outgoing from last month.</p> <p>CM spoke to the maintenance team about their situation and the work within the Social Club and will discuss this with them further.</p> <p>The question was raised about the grass cutting and that is to continue and LR is to retrieve the invoices in the mailbox and deliver them to Lisa for payment.</p>   | CM<br>LR |
| <b>11.</b> | <b>CARBOOT SALES</b>   |          |
|            | N/A – still cancelled.   |          |
| <b>12.</b> | <b>COMMUNITY MARKET</b>  |          |
|            | N/A – still cancelled.   |          |
| <b>13.</b> | <b>BOOKINGS/EVENTS</b>   |          |
|            | N/A – still cancelled.   |          |
| <b>14.</b> | <b>SUB COMMITTEES</b>  |          |
|            | Invitations to stop until a time where they are more relevant. LR & KT state that no one has got in touch from the groups with any issues.   |          |

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| <b>15.</b> | <b>AOCB</b>  |           |
|            | <p>CM: Would like to reiterate that DADCA is sitting on a healthy bank balance and that the board should be doing more for the community at this time. CM expresses her delight that so many businesses are helping in the community and states that DADCA could add to this. CM asks APM if there are any areas within the resilience groups that DADCA could help with but APM states that they have been granted some money via grants. APM suggests speaking to Yvonne Ross about this as she may be looking at things to do which may need funding.</p> <p>KT states that it may be worth speaking to CAB for helping with things outside of food (£20 the electricity meter etc) and they would be a trustworthy source.</p> <p>CM states that she wants to make sure the money is spent wisely and that DADCA are not doing this just to 'make a donation'.</p> <p>JMc states that this is a marathon, not a sprint and as funding is being granted currently, it may be worth waiting until the funding potentially dries up and the money could be more useful later on (say in early autumn).</p> <p>JMc: Nothing to report.<br/> JM: Nothing to report.<br/> APM: Nothing to report<br/> JR: Nothing to report<br/> SM: Nothing to report<br/> KT: The winners of the Dornoch 500 – below &amp; has been approved as signatory<br/> JH: Nothing to report<br/> VM: Nothing to report<br/> LR: Nothing to report</p> | <b>CM</b> |
| <b>16.</b> | <b>DORNOCH 500 CLUB</b>  |           |
|            | <p>Tickets sales are doing fine. KT will work on this over the next couple of weeks whilst still in lockdown.</p> <p>The draw is:<br/> £250 — 75<br/> £100 – 322<br/> £50 – 91<br/> £25 – 473<br/> £25 – 409<br/> £25 – 139<br/> £25 – 391</p> <p>Three total winners. 1 £250, 1 x £50 &amp; 1 x £25</p> <p>To be posted on Facebook by KT</p>   | <b>KT</b> |
| <b>17.</b> | <b>CLOSING</b>   |           |
|            | <p>The chairs thank everyone for attending and the meeting is closed at 20:16</p>  |           |
| <b>18.</b> | <b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING – 8<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2020: 7:30 PM – VIA CONFERENCE CALL</b>   |           |