

DUNSHALT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

(Scottish Charity SC003253)

MINUTES OF DUNSHALT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2021

PRESENT:

V CRAWFORD I MACAULAY S MCHARDY (TREASURER) S MCHARDY G MORTON
P MCDONALD CLLR DONALD LOTHIAN (IN ATTENDANCE)

The Chair reminded members that meetings will start at 7pm.

Council matters Noted that a stone on the bridge parapet is beginning to slip. A large pothole near Bowhouse Farm was noted, and will be reported on the Road Fault Council website page. Gutter sweeping along Main Street will be notified in advance so residents can move parked cars to allow access. Cllr Lothian was thanked for attending

Grants/Community Council A request has been made that the monthly Police report to the Community Councils includes a summary of any hate crime incidents, and an update on firearm certificate checks. IM will submit another Woodland Trust application for Spring 2022. C Cooper will assist with Cubs, Beavers and other interested groups engaging in planting and footpath clearing.

New projects suggested ;

- Carol singing in the Playpark as a fundraiser this year;
- relocating the chimney pots to the community garden in Ivy Place;
- producing a leaflet on herbs;
- interpretive boards covering the history, development and events around the village, with possible locations at the bridge; hall; playpark, community woodland and shop;
- restarting 'Hall Hub' meetings in 2022.

Playpark Development A group to steer the development has been established, and an application based on plans discussed has been drawn up ready for submission. Agreed to recommend that the Playpark Group meet to endorse the application before submission, providing evidence of the consultation process, with views of all, including children and young people, represented. Fundraising endeavours will be supported by the DCA.

Treasurer's report SM circulated the accounts to November 2021. Agreed to get estimates for replacing the hall lights, and to PAT test all electrical equipment in the hall. SM will prepare an application for 2for1 grant funding. £250 grant has been received for floral displays. A Ferguson Trust application will be submitted for a £15 Christmas voucher for over 60s in the village, to be spent in 1 of 3 ways: at Dunshalt Shop; as a donation to the Hall; as a donation to Muchty Angels. Agreed that the Seniors' lunch be postponed until Easter, or later in 2022.

Hall Reopening Pilates on Tuesdays, and Yoga on Thursdays continue. Muchty Guides will start using the Hall for weekly meetings, 6-9pm starting in January. Bookings for Shop meetings and parties have been taken. An Art class will commence monthly meetings on Wednesdays, 12.30-3.30pm. A Mother and Toddler group is being explored, with 5 parents currently interested. Hall letting forms with hire costs attached will be issued to all new users. (£9.hr – reducing to £8 after 13 weeks; then to £6.75 after 26 weeks)

The Children's Christmas Party will held on 11- 12 December at times to be decided, by a group of parents. Agreed that DCA will contribute £200 to the cost of parties and gifts.

A family Hogmany event is being planned by Mark Beaumont and John Giblin and will be ticketed.

Other matters The 100 Club will recommence in December, completing the interrupted cycle of monthly draws from last year. During February and March the DCA will start inviting residents to contribute to the draws commencing in April 2022. VC requested that electricity readings and emergency light checks are conducted at DCA monthly meetings. Noted that Remembrance Day services will be conducted in Auchtermuchty and Strathmiglo on Sunday 14 November (details on Edenshead Church website: www.edensheadparishchurch.co.uk).

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 13 December 2021, 7pm, in the Hall