

**DUNSHALT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
(Scottish Charity SC003253)**

**MINUTE OF DUNSHALT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2022**

**PRESENT:** I MACAULAY G MORTON SUE MCHARDY STEVE MCHARDY

***Noted with regret that Phil and Shirley have stepped down from attending DCA meetings, though would like to continue to be involved in activities when possible.***

***Council Matters:*** Noted from Donald that the damaged fence alongside the pavement bordering Nethermyres Farm has been fixed. The re-formed Employability Team have repairs to the River Eden footbridge on their schedule. Noted that the footpath to Cash Mill has been cut back by C Cooper. Ian will ask Charlie for a note of his expenses and pass on thanks. No update on the poor condition of the footpath to Falkland. Following further complaints about dog fouling, an invitation to the Community Safety Officer to attend a future 'drop in' event on this and other issues will be arranged following the AGM.

***Community Council:*** Vetting forms and further information on Speedcheck have been provide by the Community Police Team. Firearms checks are a key priority for the Howe Community Team, and feedback on the number of completed checks will be included in future Police updates. Speeding continues to be an issue across all communities and Helen will write a piece on this in the next Muchty Matters.

***Playpark Re-development:*** No update or further discussion.

***Hall Roof Repair:*** David and Adam Ritchie have looked at the Hall roof and do not recommend any further repairs are needed at present. They are willing to replace damaged or slipped tiles as these occur.

***Treasurer's report:*** Noted that the annual insurance has increased, though this covers all activities including the summer fete. A 2for1 grant of £500 has been received for the £700 outlay on hall Wifi and heating controls. Ian will apply for the Floral Grant. Steve will submit an application to the Ferguson Bequest for Senior's Christmas Vouchers, and the list of names updated for distribution. Agreed to offer the options for spending the £15; at the community shop (between 1 -31 December); Muchty Foodbank; a donation to the Hall. Further instructions to hall users agreed following attempts to adjust the heating by removing the TRV heads. Agreed to replace the 3 light tubes in the meeting room with the brighter tubes which have improved lighting in the main hall.

100 Club collection is now complete with over 100 names and 4 months draws were completed as follows:

**July:** M Sutherland, C McLean, D Small; **August** – L Ford, J Morrow, P Reekie; **September** – I Bath, J Johnston, E McPherson; **October** – S Kirk, R Pendrie, S Fearn.

***Annual General Meeting:*** Given that current numbers attending DCA meetings has fallen again, holding an AGM was agreed as essential. Following discussion on who would be best placed to facilitate an open discussion at the AGM, agreed that Steve will contact Fife Council to request a person is nominated. The aim is to engage the community on the best way forward with ensuring meetings are quorate, with coordinating activities, and ensuring the hall remains accessible and well maintained.

***Hall Bookings:*** M Beaumont would like to organise a Ceilidh on Saturday 12 November. Mark will also organise the Hogmany disco, and has booked a private event on January 1 afternoon. Steve was thanked for organising a training event on managing hall heating, the updating the bookings calendar from the hall phone and website, and on electronic banking. Agreed to proceed with setting up Wifi in the hall. No further discussion on interpretive boards covering the history, development and events around the village.

***Date of Next Meeting:*** To be decided following the AGM