DUNSHALT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 MARCH 2024

(Scottish Charity SC003253)

PRESENT: GORDON SIMPSON, DAVID TRACEY, IAN MACAULAY, STEVE MCHARDY, FIONA SMITH

IN ATTENDANCE: CLLR DONALD LOTHIAN

APOLOGIES: G MORTON, F CARLTON

1.Council Matters: Noted that Safer Communities Team were promoting awareness of sheep worrying during the lambing season on the Falkland Estate today. Given uncertainty about the size of the 3 flood pods, their location was agreed as 2 to be placed behind the bus shelter on Ladybank Road, and 1 on the south side of the Eden bridge. Noted that Falkland Flood Action Group and the Scottish Flood Forum will hold a display of flood resilience products for properties affected by flooding in The Stables Hub, Falkland Estate, Falkland on Saturday 27th April from 10 am till 4pm. This is a drop in event so you can come and go any time between 10 am and 4pm. Further information available from John Brown at john.brown91@btinternet.com or mobile 07980361090. No further matters raised.

2. Playpark Fundraising: A tremendous response was noted so far to the fundraising with over £5k now raised. Agreed that money raised beyond the target will be spent on separate projects at the Park - benches and tables, and adult outdoor gym equipment. Confirmed that Fife Council will maintain the refurbished playpark.

Bruach Folk Band, Saturday 15 March, 7 – 10.30pm; tickets sold out!

Tickets for a raffle to be drawn on Sunday 7 April are on sale at £5/book. As well as selling at events, selling door-to-door was also agreed. Around 24 prizes have been donated so far.

Easter coffee morning and Park Fun event; Sunday 7 April, 11-1pm/2 – 4pm; Raffle tickets will be sold at the coffee morning. Shop is exploring the sale of picnic bags for the Park event. E Collins and Guides, plus others will organise the Games events during the afternoon of 7 April, in the Park weather permitting, or in the Hall. G Simpson will transport furniture from the Hall. Ian to order ice cream from Luvians. Car washing at the Park 11-4pm. Meeting to be held on 21 March to plan 7 April event.

'**Dunshalt Destach'** sale, Sunday 21 April, 12-3pm; 8/10 sales tables @£15 now taken for the event. Prior publicity of stall holders to a large social network should guarantee good attendance.

Finance: The projected cleaning costs for an additional 1 hr/week would be £840. The cash flow this year has been reduced by the loss of a regular let, and several one off donation, resulting in a £1.2k balance for the end of the financial year. In the meantime, volunteer cleaning will focus on Thursday mornings, and checking that walls and ceilings are dusted. Fife Council has approved a Recurring Grant for £203 for the next 3 years (2024 – 2027).

Hall issues: No progress yet on the Hall roof leak. Refreshing the Hall is the next priority for fundraising. The plan would be to: complete roof repairs; floor sanding and resealing – David, Gordon, Linton, Ian and Steve available to assist; replacing all curtains with roller blinds; painting refresh; cleaning chairs; kitchen refit with stainless steel sink; photo panel display in the hall.

AGM Date: Friday 10 May, 7.30pm. Key DCA roles agreed as follows: Chair; Finance; Secretary; Communication; Hall maintenance. A volunteer is needed to take on communication role - website

maintenance including the hall booking diary and heating, hall access, and maintaining the Facebook page. The new Constitution will also be shared.

Local Place Plan update: Each community has been asked to prepare a map to reference LPP themes and priority actions. In early April, notice and publicity for the 28 day consultation will be given, with the consultation launch in **Strathmiglo Hall on Tuesday 9 April, 5.30 – 7.30pm. Given that this coincides with the next DCA meeting, community representatives will be sought.**

The formal Consultation closes on 7 May. Following this, changes will be agreed, sent to the studio designers, and submitted to Fife Council by 15 June.

Date of next meeting: Tuesday 9 April, 7pm

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