

NORTH TOLSTA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Note of meeting of the **North Tolsta Community Council** held at the Community Hall meeting room, North Tolsta, on **Wednesday, 12 October 2016, at 7.00pm.**

PRESENT: Anna Mackenzie (AMcK); Angus Murray (AM); Fiona MacLeod (FM); Erica MacLeod (EM); Cllr John A MacIver; Cllr Catriona Stewart

APOLOGIES: PC Fraser; Effie MacMillan (EM); Cllr D Crichton; John MacIver (JM)

CHAIR: Anna MacKenzie

1. Note of the Last Meeting

Approved.

Matters arising

Incidents of vandalism at the Tràigh Mhòr and Garry noted – needed to follow up.

Invoice needed to be submitted for the toilet cleaning, dating back to August 2015 – ST to follow up with DA.

Trade reference for MacGregor Industrial Supplies needed to be redone.

The quotes for the removal of the gas cooker had been excessive. Could look at seeking further quotes for the kitchen after October 2016 once the hall project was completed.

2. Appointment of Treasurer

No appointment was made.

3. Banking

The bank balance as at 21 September 2016 was £8,151 excluding Ward Initiative funds of £3,000.

4. Community Hall /Kitchen

In light of the project's shortfall, AM submitted an application for funding to TCDL in the sum of £2,000.

5. New Build

There had been objection to the new build from immediate neighbours around a lack of consultation. The Committee would meet with the neighbours. The next meeting would be on 17 October 2016. Nothing further to report in the meantime.

6. Memorial Service

No response had been received from the Minister about a Sunday Service and it was now deemed to be too late to alter the day. The Memorial Service would now be on Saturday, 12 November 2016, at 12 noon. Cllr Maciver would check with the Chair of the Historical Society to ascertain whether they were interested in organising it this year.

It was anticipated that representatives from the School, the Community Council, the Comhairle, the Lieutenancy and the Cadets would lay wreaths and the appropriate people needed to be contacted.

7. Community Jobs

This would be a standing item until such time as the Community Council had funds to action these projects.

Painting

- Chain anchor posts at the entrance to the village.
- Picnic tables at the Cladach.
- Picnic tables at Tràigh Mhòr.
- Bridge at Gary and tables.

Gardening

- Beds at the entrance to the village.
- Bed at the car park.
- Pots around the village.
- Beds at the Community Hall.
- Garden at the War Memorial.

Cllr Maciver would approach JA about tidying the garden at the War Memorial.

AM would place an advert in Tolsta PO requesting expressions of interest and quotations to be submitted to AM for some or all of the various jobs.

8. War Memorial

No discussion on the night as JM was not present.

9. AOCB

There was to be a meeting in Tong Hall on 15 November 2016 to which Back and Tolsta CCs were invited. Ron Culley, IJB, was expected to be the speaker. Time permitting, there could also be a talk on Community Empowerment.

Noted that there was a module at LCC on community resilience for anyone's interest.

Advice received from SSE was that hiring a generator was a better option than purchase.

Only the TPC had responded to the open 'future partnership' letter sent to the key local groups some time back.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting would take place on Wednesday, 9 November 2016 at 7.00pm, in the Community Hall meeting room, North Tolsta.