

**Glenfarg Village Hall**  
**22 March 2017**

<b><u>Agenda Item</u></b>	<b><u>Minute</u></b>	<b><u>Action</u></b>
<u>Present:</u>	Cedric Wilkins, Kerry Davidson, Jean Andrew, Tim Corcoran, Robin Watson, Mac Stewart, Mark Crossey	
<u>Apologies</u>	Kate Armstrong, Jim Eodanable, Robert Morton, Christine Morton, John Armstrong	
<u>In attendance</u>	Tanya McKibbon, Karen McGregor	
<u>Minutes of previous meeting</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minutes of previous meeting (14 December 2016) approved.</li> </ul>	
<u>Matters arising</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tim has fitted a child safety lock to the front door and installed a new side gate.</li> <li>Ced to call David Aird about costs/ recommendations relating to a new sound system.</li> <li>The family fun night held just before Christmas to raise funds for the hall raised just over £200.</li> <li>Kareen told the committee that the smaller waste bin has not proved to be a problem. The pop-up pub operators are taking away their rubbish.</li> <li>There has been some confusion as to how to switch on the stage lighting. Kerry to make a sign.</li> <li>Tim (and an electrician if required) to look at wiring for stage lighting to ensure it is safe.</li> <li>Tanya was thanked for preparing an article for the newsletter and UK Cycling magazine.</li> <li>Lisa was thanked for her work on creating a Facebook page for the hall.</li> <li>Ced to apply to Lochelbank for funding for new crockery (100 settings).</li> </ul>	<p><b>Ced</b></p> <p><b>Kerry</b></p> <p><b>Tim</b></p> <p><b>Ced</b></p>
<u>Hall Keeper's report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some daytime activities are coming to an end as they have not been adequately supported by the village to make them sustainable (such as Zumba). Soup and a Chat has also stopped for other reasons. This will have an impact on the rents coming in.</li> <li>It was agreed that permission should be given to allow a wood-fired pizza van to use the hall carpark every second Friday to sell takeaway pizzas. Ced to contact the owners and the council to approve this on a trial basis. Van should use the gravel area to avoid taking up parking spaces.</li> <li>Tanya and Tim have organised everything necessary for the upcoming election</li> </ul>	

<u>Secretary's report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kerry submitted information to the council to ensure the hall retains its charitable status with regard to the rates it pays.</li> </ul>		
<u>Property Convenor's report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tim had no updates.</li> </ul>		
<u>Treasurer's report</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The grant from Foundation Scotland to cover the costs of decorating the hall has been received.</li> <li>Jean has written asking for continued exemption from water rates and this has been given.</li> <li>It is expected that the hall will be approximately £2k in deficit at the year end as rents are currently not covering costs. As a result, the possible raising of rents will be discussed by the committee at the AGM in September.</li> <li>Ced pointed out we can apply to Lochelbank for funding as we are currently running at a deficit.</li> </ul>		
<u>AOB</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mark suggested creating a community café in the meeting room to raise funds for the hall. The meeting room would need to be 'softened' with a couple of couches and small tables. The café would need some funding and volunteers to get started but the meeting room is underused, particularly during the day. Mark and Ced to flesh out idea, try to source furnishings and ask the community if they feel this would be used.</li> <li>We would need to be mindful of any impact on Business Stream/water rates and the café would need to be run more as a regular community coffee morning.</li> <li>Robin gave Tanya a receipt for a new kettle for the hall which was reimbursed from petty cash.</li> </ul>	<b>Mark / Ced</b>	
<u>Future of the hall</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ced has discussed with Mrs Ross the possibility of her adjoining home one day becoming part of the village hall to create more of a social hub. Ms Ross explained that was a matter for her family to decide but she will make them aware of the committee's idea for the future.</li> <li>Ced highlighted that moving forward it would be advisable for the hall to change its constitution from a trust to a community company in order to enable further development in the longer term.</li> </ul>		
<u>Dates of future meetings</u>	Date of next meeting: Wednesday, 14 June 2017 <b>at 8pm.</b>		