

Barrhill Development Trust Trustees Meeting 13 September 2024 Barrhill Memorial Hall at 4pm

Present: Jamie Burgess – Chair (JB) Rod Ekern – Vice Chair (RE) Andy Clegg – Treasurer (AC) Bill Ottaway (BO) Jean Shaw (JS) Patrick Buck (PB)

Quorate: Five of the registered Trustees need to be present for a majority decision to be taken.

1.	Apologies - None Welcome from JB.	Action
2.	Confirm notice and Quorum sederunt noted as above	NA
3.	Declarations of Interest No declarations of interest at this present time	NA
4.	Approval of Minutes Proposed by RE. Seconded by BO Matters Arising Date of biomass boiler service is 30 September not 30 th August as stated in Minutes. Amendment to be circulated to board members,	PB/RE
5.	Finance: wef 10/9/24 £9.900 in bank account. A Grant of £25,972 has been received from BCIC. All pub expenses have been taken out prior by BCIC so they can pay invoices, and balance of £25,972 has been sent to BDT. The overdue council tax bill for the Crosswater has yet to be paid. The overdue account is with the Sheriff's Office pending further action. AC contacted Sherriff's Office, and they are happy to wait another month. Awaiting decision on BCIC, but property owner is BDT. All invoices being paid by BCIC for now.	AC
6.	H R Report: Part Time Hall Keeper. Advert just been placed in the village and Facebook pages. JB contacted BDT accountant Montpelier, Newton Stewart.	JB
7.	Secretary's Report: AC & JB checking all emails now. To sort out Treasurers emails and Enquiries emails and separate them No landline in the Hall and not retained by previous Board members. Unanimous agreement to .provide new Admin with a work mobile phone and dedicated number.	JB
8.	H & S Report: No reports from staff. Fire Alarm: Battery now showing as a fault again. It was suggested that the trickle charger in the system is not working. JS to call out engineer again to service. PAT or Inhouse Inspection of Electrical Appliances still be sorted.	JS
9.	Facilities: Feed in Tariff to be claimed back to 2019. Received from EON but been credited into BCIC account. JS to request refund from BCIC.	JS

	<p>Lights in the car park now sorted. A fuse had tripped, and the photovoltaic cells switch had been switched off at some point. Lights now working but two lamps are not. Replacements need to be sourced. RE proposed that LED bulbs be used going forward.</p> <p>Bowling Green: Review for next season regarding costs.</p> <p>Playpark: one area has been taped off as part of a platform has collapsed. Repairs costed out at £1,800 and there is an inspection due soon. Unanimous decision to proceed with ordering parts to facilitate repairs (£1786). Date for inspection not yet known.</p> <p>It has been picked by monitors up that the MPLC licence had expired, and the Hall had held a public performance without the licence. Cost to renew is £375 pa. TV licence also needed for the Hall TV.</p> <p>The meter connected to the solar panels on the main hall roof is faulty and not recording what is being generated. Cost to replace is £175 + VAT and travel costs to come out and replace.</p> <p>An email has been received saying all accounts with EON and/or EDF have been closed re electricity. Also shows tariffs as now increased. It is believed KR was in the middle of reviewing electricity tariffs when she resigned.</p> <p>Solar panels need washing. To look into a cleaner that will come out and do the job.</p> <p>Someone needs to learn how to check the levels of the pellets for the biomass boiler. Each delivery costs approx. £3,000. To look at more efficient ways to run the heating in the Hall such as room thermostats.</p> <p>Community toilets. Can BDT apply for a grant for a new path and repainting them?</p>	<p>BO</p> <p>BO</p> <p>JS</p> <p>JS</p> <p>ALL</p> <p>JS/AC</p> <p>JB</p>
10.	<p>Events: An events committee has been formed of approximately 8 members. Barrhill Events Group (BEG). Under the BDT Constitution, Trustees have to provide events for the community. The Bowling Club, Hall and Hire of Hall for events meet this. A table of fees needs to be drawn up for events. BDT will possibly volunteer at community events.</p>	
11.	<p>The Crosswater: There was a lively discussion regarding BDT Trustees governance and responsibility for community owned assets held by BDT. The Trustees are responsible for oversight on any project which involves a BDT held asset. Going forward the present Board want to have a clear line of responsibility from when they were duly elected. The next buildings inspection is 23/9/24. It was agreed that the Board required full information and a formal update before any handover from the contractors and JT takes place. Outstanding works duly noted are:</p> <p>Decorating finished inside and outside Tiling All exterior signage and painting finished Roof leaks repaired All floors to be ready for carpets Is the kitchen part of the project?</p> <p>The following proposals were made and unanimously approved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Allow the contractor to fit the stainless sheeting for the kitchen previously ordered and now delivered, as per existing plan including electrics and plumbing. b) Install sink as per plan. <p>Need to liaise with JT as to what the specific plans are, and what has already been ordered. Anything ordered of which Trustees do not approve, those orders to be stopped. Trustees need to know where JT is with the project going forward. Possibly evening of 23/9/24.</p> <p>Pub licence due to be renewed mid-October and reviewed. Wi-Fi in BDT name or tenants? Wifi also needed for solar panel readings,</p>	<p>ALL</p>

The meeting closed at 18.00. Next meeting possibly 23/9/24