

## Minutes - APPROVED

Barrhill Development Trust Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2025, Barrhill Memorial Hall at 19.00

No valid decisions can be taken at a board meeting unless a quorum is present; the quorum for board meetings is 5 charity trustees, present in person. There are currently 6 serving Trustees

1.	Meeting validity confirmation Present: (PB) Patrick Buck, (AC) Andy Clegg, (WO) Bill Ottaway, (JS) Jean Shaw, (RE) Rod Ekern, (LW) Linda Wild – minutes	Action
	Apologies – None	
2.	Welcome Due to JB's resignation a new chair is needed. AC proposed PB, RE seconded. Passed unanimously. PB said he would take on the role of chair and continue with The Crosswater only due to health issues. PB – We would like to thank JB for his hard work, especially in the early days when taking over from the previous board. PB – Would like to change the agenda to add a list of AOB to the beginning of the meeting to better plan timings of meetings.	
	AOB list JS – Ride-on lawnmower AC – JB resigning removes a conflict of interest which will allow the BCIC to be quorate on BDT issues. PB – Need to find people to co-opt onto the BDT	
3.	Declaration of Interests None	
4.	Approval of Minutes 8 Facilities: Arnsheen Park Cycle Path AC – Who was taking this forward? RE – Do we need to decide exactly what we want? PB – We need to decide what to do depending on cost. RE volunteered to research track options. AC – Three quotes will be required by Foundation Scotland for quotes over £5,000 Minutes of last meeting JS proposed, RE seconded	RE
5.	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes – Meeting 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2025 Footpath to holiday parks: PB contacted ARA who have said there is no money available for this to be done. Bowling Green: JS – Is Dean still cutting the bowling green? AC – Yes, the BDT pay STS for a monthly maintenance contract which does not include green cutting. A discussion followed about who should be cutting the green. Dean or BBC members?	

	AC – No progress on skips. Still awaiting SAC	LW
	JS – Ride-on Lawnmower is to be scrapped.	JS
5.	Treasurers Report  AC handed out a financial statement to end February 2025  The £5,000 grant submitted in November to the BCIC arrived today.  Expenditure for February is much higher than usual due to insurance renewal.  The BDT has £8,000 of its own money from refunds and hall hire revenue. Ideally this needs to be topped up to £10,000 to give an extra contingency fund.  If anything has been missed in the budget please report at next meeting.	AII
6.	HR Report PB – AC has taken over HR from JB.	
7.	Secretaries Report Christmas decorations LW – Should I start looking into Christmas Decorations? PB – Make an inventory of what we currently have including what is suitable to re-use this year initially.	LW
	Exercise class LW – Pilates is often run with just one or two people attending. Should a class for older people to help with mobility and fall prevention be looked at as a replacement/addition? AC – The BDT pays Lyn Brooks £18 per Pilates class. AC – Lynn used to run a Club Diamonds Class for older people a few years ago for which attendance declined to one person. PB – Create an advert for a new class and see what response we get.	LW
	Events Group The events group have asked for permission to use Arnsheen Park for 4 events in 2025. Easter Egg Hunt, May Day Picnic, Village Fun Day and Fireworks. A discussion followed and a decision to approve use of the park for events annually was made. AC- The BDT would have to pay additional insurance to allow the display to be held. All events approved unanimously except for Fireworks.	LW
	A request for additional photos to be added to the hall display of old Barrhill photos was made by Martin Rennie. A discussion followed and a decision was made not to allow any additional photos to be displayed. It was felt that the display was already taking up enough wall space. The display can however be rotated to display different photos in the frames currently on display.	LW
	Hall occupancy numbers for events The Events Group were planning to sell 150 tickets for the ABBA event in April.	

	The sign in the hall states a maximum of 80 people can be in the hall. This was a reduced number used during COVID. The total can be changed to the pre-COVID level 120 for now. Numbers cannot be aggregated with the meeting room maximum occupancy number.  Taking into account that a stage will be used (reducing floor space) for the ABBA event and band members, bar staff and events group members WO made a decision that 100 tickets could be sold for the event. LW has emailed the Events Group Secretary with this information.  It was decided that maximum occupancy numbers need to be investigated as no-one knows how the current numbers were calculated. The Fire Service was suggested as a starting point.	LW
	Barrhill Bowling Club Martin Rennie has asked for clarification on what counted as a chargeable event and therefore would have hall hire charged at £18 per hour instead of the £5 per hour rate which is the hire fee for non-chargeable events.  AC- If a charge is made in any way for an event then the £18 per hour hire charge will be made.	LW
	Staff Clothing LW to make a final list of specific PPE and clothing required by Angela, Gemma and Dean and these will be ordered.	LW/AC
	Car Park borders  Dean has requested additional woodchip to cover the border at the back of the car park.  RE – The border layouts were badly planned with plants and trees put in the wrong places. They need to be redone. A discussion followed and a decision was made to assess what needed to be dug out and which areas need to be replanted before woodchip is put down.	WO
7.	Health and Safety Nothing to report	
8.	Facilities Arnsheen Park WO – Tomorrow the new beam for the zip wire will be put in place and the zip wires re-tensioned. All other repairs to play park equipment are complete.  Car Park RE - Two lights are out in the car park. Can we change them from fluorescent to LED? 240V is used in the car park. We need to get rid of transformers if possible. LEDs would also be more efficient.  Grass cutting	WO

	Sit on lawnmower is to be scrapped. A replacement is not required. AC- My neighbour's lawn is not being fully cut by Dean. AC to speak to Dean about this.	AC
9.	Pub Update PB distributed a document containing information about getting a tenant for the pub for discussion (this had been emailed to trustees previously).  Advertising – After a discussion it was decided to pursue the package option from Graham and Sibbald as we don't have the expertise ourselves.  AC- suggested meeting with BCIC to decide what funding they would give for this.  PB – We need to get on with this process without delay. AC – BCIC controls the money the contract states this.  AC – Money needs to be given by BCIC/Foundation Scotland.  Next BCIC meeting is 17 <sup>th</sup> March AC to put together a proposal.	PB AC
	The Tenancy Details were then discussed.  PB – We don't want a manager if at all possible. Ideally partners for example husband and wife. AC – The pub needs to be run for the benefit of the village.  RE to look into getting the shed into a useable state. Fridge and freezer need to be stored there. AC – Fixed costings are needed for this.  PB – Can we get and architect to look at this? AC – Layout needs to be decided, the walls need sorting first. We have no money currently to do this.  AC – We need to work out a budget for funding. Carpets and furniture etc. 1st and 2nd floors need sorting out.	RE PB
10	AOB Food Poverty Soup kitchen and meals on wheels to be looked into.  Co-opting Trustees RE – John Heath has expressed and interest AC – Alan Hainey put himself forward previously RE – William Wilson expressed and interest previously PB – Everyone to think of new trustees	JS AII
11	Meeting closed 21:15 Next meetings: Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 7pm	