

## Minutes - APPROVED

Barrhill Development Trust Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 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 5 serving Trustees

1.	Meeting validity confirmation	Action
1.	Present: (PB) Patrick Buck - Chair, (AC) Andy Clegg, (BO) Bill Ottaway, (JS) Jean Shaw, (RE) Rod Ekern, (LW) Linda Wild – minutes Apologies – None	Action
2.	Declarations of interest - None	
3.	Welcome PB welcomed everyone to the meeting.	
	AOB list Trading Hub Scott Garage for sale	
3.	Declaration of Interests None	
4.	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes – Meeting 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025	
	Playpark track RE – provided costings for materials only. £12,000 for a 4m wide oval running track 400m long. Crushed concrete base, concrete curbs and tarmac covering. AC- would a 2m wide track be enough? PB – Should the track be a different shape to make it more interesting?	
	Community skips –SAC will not be providing skips yet. BCC have suggested to SAC that they use King Brothers as D&G Council does.  LW – A skip has been ordered from King Brothers for 16 <sup>th</sup> May and every 4 weeks until October. They have agreed that we can change the dates if SAC starts providing skips again.	
	First Aid Training – LW – tried to contact the company who have previously provided first aid training but no reply. May have gone out of business. AC – Try to book for end of July.	LW
	Christmas Decorations – Discuss at a later meeting.	
	Car Park lights BO – The lights are all LED. Transformers have been purchased. One has been replaced and is now working. Concrete needs adding around the pole bases to stop ant infestations. DH and BO will do this.	ВО

Grass cutting service  AC – I have a list of potential contractors. The BCIC have been approached about providing funding and JT has agreed in principle.  PB – DH could go and measure all lawns. AC – photos would also be useful so that contractors can provide quotes.	AC
Pub advertising PB - Graham & Sibbald have provided a proof of the advert. Errors have been noted. £15,000 per annum leasehold was Graham & Sibbald's recommendation.	
Pub outdoor structure RE – An Architect from ARPL came out to quote for work on the outdoor structure. RE to forward the quote when received. PB – We need to get the oil tank removed if it hasn't already gone.	RE PB
HR Annual wage increases AC - 50p per hour for all employees will start May 2025 BO – Should trustees be opening public toilets on bank holidays? AC – This needs to be discussed with Caretakers. AC – New contracts need setting up for caretakers.	AC
Hall occupancy numbers for events The sale of 100 tickets was agreed for the ABBA night. BO calculated the numbers using a fire service document. The total is 120 due to the fire exits. JS – numbers need updating on the notice boards with a reason why. LW – PE emailed to let BDT know that previous hall occupancy numbers of 120 were calculated by the insurance company so if this was to be changed the insurance company would need to be informed. AC – At the April BCC meeting it was insisted that the hall be available until midnight and agreed that a surcharge could be made for bookings continuing after 11pm.	LW
Pub update PB – PAT testing has been done. AC –JJB Contractors should have supplied an Electrical Installation Certificate. They haven't replied to an email requesting it. PB – Scott from JJB will be coming out on 15 <sup>th</sup> May with Building Control. I will ask about the EIC and ask him to bring the key for the electric cupboard as he has the only one. Cooker still needs connecting by a gas engineer. RE – When will we be getting certification from Environmental Health for the kitchen? This is needed before opening. PB to get in touch with SAC to arrange.	PB
Public Conveniences BO – Awaiting a reply about the skylights	ВО

	Approval of Minutes Minutes of last meeting JS proposed, PB seconded.	
5.	Treasurers Report AC handed out a financial statement to end April 2025 AC- Running costs are approx. £14,000 per month. We need to think ahead, a grant application needs to be submitted at the end of May for July to the end of the year. AC - We may be due a refund of Council Tax for the pub from SAC, in progress.	AC
6.	HR Report Nothing to report	
7.	Secretaries Report The gate code for Arnsheen Park needs changing so that only BDT trustees and the grass cutting contractor know it. AC – The code for the Hall also needs changing and the storage containers padlock codes.	ВО
	While DH is on holiday for 10 days GH has the key to refill the poo bags dispensers if needed. DH has checked the boiler pellets level which is ok. Caretakers will take bins out and back in. DH asked if caretakers could do a litter pick in the park to keep on top of it. Possibly during coffee morning.	AC
	Can villagers be asked if they would like to adopt a planter as was done previously?  DH has been approached about this.  Agreed this was a good idea. LW to put together an advert for this.	LW
	Plants have been ordered from Soleburn Garden Centre. Compost needs adding to the order. 20 bags was agreed on. AC – If SAC provide a delivery of compost later in the year this could be stored in hippo bags.	LW
	Could the heating temperature for day and night in the hall be agreed on as it is currently set to the same temperature day and night.	AC
8.	Health and Safety Nothing to report	
9.	Facilities Already covered.	
10.	Pub Update Already covered.	PB
11.	AGM Planning AC ran through a Power Point presentation he had put together for the AGM. BDT Membership application forms need to be available in case anyone has been missed off the list of members.	

	Curtains need to be drawn to help with hearing speech. Person needed to check people in at the door. Proxy voting neds to be arranged.	LW
	We need to think about what the BDT are doing. The BCIC makes decisions on what money is given out for. BDT should approach the village about what they want.	ALL
12.	AOB Hall occupancy numbers Already covered	
	Trading Hub Barrhill Community Trading Hub is in the process of being closed down.	
	Scotts Garage RE- Proposal to purchase Scotts Garage (currently up for sale) and fit it out as a hand car wash etc. AC – this idea needs to be put to the BCIC. A discussion took place. RE – It's something to look into more closely.	RE
	RE – Suggested having a sign put up at the entrance to each end of the village listing village amenities with the aim of getting people to stop off in the village.	RE
	Meeting closed 21:10 Next meetings: Monday 2nd June 2025 at 7pm	