



NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Chair

Welcome to the first edition of the Barrhill Development Trust newsletter. As you will no doubt have seen, BDT is slowly taking on the projects of BCIC.

Now that our plants have arrived and been installed in our village planters, it's nice to see the village looking so colourful! The newly painted bridges also help to improve the look of the village. I would like to thank the local residents who have adopted the new planters and hope you enjoy tending to the flowers.

If anyone wishes to contact any directors with any ideas or concerns please feel free to do so.

John Thomson, Chair

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One Step Closer For For Purchase of The Trout Inn

Barrhill Development Trust submitted a Stage 1 grant application to the Scottish Land Fund and has since been advised that the application was successful and that the Trust has been invited to submit a Stage 2 application. The Scottish Land Fund (SLF) is a programme which supports community organisations across Scotland to own land, buildings and other assets and is funded by the Scottish Government.

Barrhill Development Trust has applied to the Scottish Land Fund for funding for the purchase price of The Trout Inn. The Trust would then use some of the wind farm benefit funding that Barrhill receives, to refurbish the building and subsidise the salary costs for the first two or three years.

If the Stage 2 application to the Scottish

Land Fund is successful, we will be able to purchase the Trout Inn, using this funding, according to the wishes of the community. After extensive feasibility work, research and costings had been carried out, a community consultation was held, seeking feedback about the proposed project. 76% of the community voted FOR the community purchasing and running/managing the Trout Inn as a bar and restaurant.

If the Stage 2 application is not successful, the Trust would communicate this with the community and carry out another vote as to whether the community would want to proceed with the purchase of the Trout Inn using the Barrhill wind farm benefit funding.

The Stage 2 application and accompanying documents have been submitted to the SLF by our Community Development Worker and we will be notified of the outcome on 30th August.

Transparency of Communication

Barrhill Development Trust and Barrhill Community Interest Company are both community organisations, managed by a board of elected directors - in the case of BCIC and a board of Trustees - in the case of the BDT - who are also members of the community, on behalf of the community of Barrhill. **As such, the respective Boards work to ensure that BDT and BCIC maintain clear, open channels of communication with the community and its members.** This is achieved via the quarterly newsletter, the AGM and the monthly report summaries online. Moreover, the Community Development Worker is a point of contact between residents

and the BCIC/BDT and the **Boards encourage residents to contact them directly with any ideas or concerns, or to ask to attend the start of a Board meeting.**

Furthermore, as a charity, Barrhill Development Trust is legally required to report annually to the Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR), by whom BDT is administrated and regulated. As a registered charity BDT has met the legal criteria to become a charity, showing we **have only charitable purposes and provide public benefit.** We are also in regular contact with funders, including Scottish Power Renewables, to ensure that we are meeting their requirements.

Become a Member of Barrhill Development Trust

We would like to encourage the community to become members of Barrhill Development Trust. Becoming a Member does not entail any specific commitment and is completely free, it simply shows that you support the aims of the Trust.

To be eligible to become a member, you must be aged 16 or over and be a resident of Barrhill, or the Barrhill Community Council Area. As a Member, we will write to you from time to time about the development of our projects and you will be invited to all Member's Meetings (these are usually annual).

Please email Amy-Dee Watson for a membership form - amy@barrhilldevtrust.org, or pop into the Memorial Hall office on a Tuesday to

pick up a form. The constitution of Barrhill Development Trust is currently available to view on the BCIC website, or please email Amy for a copy.

We are beginning the process of transferring Barrhill Memorial Hall, bowling green and community car park assets to Barrhill Development Trust. The Development Trust will gradually take on the projects of Barrhill Community Interest Company, including the management of the Memorial Hall, youth work, community events, Barrhill planters, Liam's Handyman projects and longer-term legacy building projects, such as managing community-run facilities and businesses (Trout Inn).

Barrhill Community Interest Company has been retained, primarily to continue



to issue the annual winter fuel payments, as this is not considered charitable (it is not means tested). BCIC also continues to operate the grants and bursaries.

We are currently having a new website, social media platforms and email addresses created for Barrhill Development Trust. Please keep a look out online. Our new website address is www.barrhilldevtrust.org and our Facebook page is @barrhilldevtrust.

Colourful Barrhill

Liam, the village Handyman, has been working hard over the past few months to put our super new planters in place throughout the village and he has been busily planting them up.

Barrhill Primary School children have also been helping to brighten up our village, by planting up the planters in Arnsheen Park using flowers donated by South Ayrshire Council.

We are delighted with the community response to our Adopt a Planter scheme. The Board thought it would be a nice opportunity for the community to get involved and enjoy the plants. Adoptees have only been asked to water their planter and weed or de-head as required. All plants and compost are supplied by Barrhill Development Trust. Liam will of course oversee the maintenance of all the planters and is on hand to assist community members, whilst looking after the planters located at the Memorial Hall.





Barrhill Flower Show

In memory of Annie Clarke

Saturday 7th September 2019

To be held in
Barrhill Memorial Hall

Show opens at 2pm
Presentation of prizes at 3:30pm

Admission £2.00 adults, accompanied children 50p

Includes a cream tea



Barrhill Flower Show

I do hope your gardens are growing well and that you will enter some of the vegetables or flowers you grow into this year's Barrhill Flower Show. But don't worry if you are not green fingered, there are flower arranging classes for which you can use bought flowers. If you are a keen crafter we have 15 handicrafts classes for you to choose from. If donning an apron is more your thing then we have 17 baking and preserves classes. There's a bit of all sorts in the Biggest, Heaviest and Fun section, take a look, something might catch your eye! We also have a new photography section with 7 classes; we would love to see your photos. Of course there are also children's classes which are free to enter so why not encourage any children you know to have a go? Download a schedule from the Other menu on www.barrhill.org.uk or check out our Facebook page Barrhill Flower Show. We look forward to seeing you with your entries or just admiring the exhibits on the day and of course enjoying a cream tea.

Barrhill in Bloom

We are trying a new venture this year alongside the Barrhill Flower Show, called Barrhill in Bloom. We know there are a lot of green fingered folk in Barrhill and this is a chance for anyone who lives in the Parish of Barrhill to enter their garden into Barrhill in Bloom.

Judges will visit your garden to decide who has the Best Hanging Basket, Best Planter/Container, Tallest Sunflower and Best Overall Garden Display. Judges will also decide which is the best kept adopted planter in the village. **Judging will take place on 22nd August and the winners will be announced at the Barrhill Flower Show on 7th September at 3:30pm.**

If you would like to take part please email a list of classes you would like to enter, along with your name and address to barrhill.flowershow@gmail.com you can also email if you have any questions. All adopted planters will be judged automatically.

Linda Wild

Barrhill Film Nights

The monthly film club organised by BDT is being well received by the community, with showings of Mamma Mia 2, Skyscraper, A Star is Born, The Greatest Showman, Heat and Dunkirk, in the Barrhill Memorial Hall. The July showing (which we cannot specifically name due to the licensing conditions) is "The strongest, marvellous female superhero." There will also be some matinee showings in the near future. Tea, coffee and soft drinks are provided.

The dates of the film nights for your diaries: 27/7/19; 24/8/19; 21/9/19; 26/10/19; 23/11/19 and 21/12/19. All are Saturday nights, starting at 7pm.

Richard Brown

Goal! for Arnsheen Park

BDT has recently purchased goal posts and nets for Arnsheen Park and they are already proving popular!



BARRHILL MEMORIAL HALL

COFFEE MORNING



FRIDAYS
10am - 12noon

Open to all. Drop in for a cuppa and a chat!

SUMMER
BARRHILL
YOUTH CLUB

FREE!

INCLUDES DRINK & SNACK

MEMORIAL HALL

FRIDAYS: 19, 26 JULY, 2, 9 AUGUST

JUNIORS: AGE 5 - 9
 [NURSERY AGE WELCOME WITH PARENTS]
3PM - 4:30PM

SENIORS: AGE 10 - 16
4:30PM - 6PM

COME AND CHILL, LISTEN TO MUSIC, PLAY POOL, PS4, BAKING, ARTS & CRAFTS, NERF GUNS, SPORTS, BOARD GAMES AND LOTS MORE! YOUR CLUB - YOU DECIDE!

BARRHILL YOUTH CLUB WILL RECOMMENCE ON FRIDAY 30 AUGUST AND RUN DURING TERM TIME!

JUNIORS: AGE 5 - 9 = 5PM - 6:30PM
SENIORS: AGE 10 - 16 = 6:30PM - 8PM

IMPORTANT BIT!

SOP PER SESSION INCLUDES DRINK & SNACK

Barrhill Youth Club is run by Barrhill Development Trust. Completed consent forms required for all children and young people attending. Forms available from Barrhill Memorial Hall, Barrhill Stores, or email amy.barrhillcic@gmail.com. Any questions or queries, contact Amy-Dee Watson on 01465 821000, or 01671 820654, or speak to Kassie Farmery.

Barrhill Youth Club

Barrhill Development Trust is pleased to announce that we are launching Barrhill Youth Club this summer! Thanks to feedback from the local children and young people, we have done our best to create youth activities that meet their needs and wishes.

The Youth Club is split into two age groups and will run slightly earlier during the summer holidays. Then, assuming uptake is good and the children would like it to continue, we will continue to run the Youth Club during term time on Friday evenings after school.

The volunteers who will be running the youth club are fully PVG Scheme registered and all appropriate policies and procedures are in place.

Parental consent forms are required for all children and young people who attend any of our sessions. Please contact Amy for forms.

If you have any questions, or ideas, or are interested in volunteering, please contact Amy at amy@barrhilldevtrust.org, phone 01465 821000 or 01671 820654.

Memorial Hall Update

Barrhill Development Trust are currently in the process of obtaining quotes for a Hearing Loop System to be installed in the main hall and meeting room of the Barrhill Memorial Hall. A PA system will also be installed in the main hall.

There will also be some minor changes to the main hall. The stage will be taken down and a screen put up in its place, behind which the tables and chairs will be stored.

We share the portable stage with Barrhill Primary School, so will be able to use that for any performances, gigs or events in the hall requiring a stage.

Can we please also draw your attention to the new recycling bins in the hall kitchen and ask all groups to ensure cartons and packets are empty and washed before being placed in the correct bin. Thank you very much.

DON'T HAVE SUPERFAST BROADBAND? SEND US YOUR POST CODE!

BDT has been trying to tackle the lack of fibre broadband connectivity for properties outside of Barrhill itself and has contacted Digital Scotland Superfast Broadband (DSSB) programme. Unfortunately there are no future plans to carry out any further work on properties outside the village under the DSSB programme. Although the Scottish Government has committed to providing 100% superfast broadband to all properties across Scotland through the Reaching 100% (R100) programme, there is no definitive timescale as to when Barrhill is likely to benefit from this.

However, there is another area BDT could explore - a jointly funded solution with Openreach Community Funded Partnerships, whereby Openreach fund part of the costs of installing superfast broadband and then BDT would match fund the shortfall. At this stage they are unable to provide a quote until we have a list of ALL PROPERTIES REQUIRING SUPERFAST BROADBAND.

Therefore we are asking for the POSTCODES and LANDLINE PHONE NUMBERS of all properties (homes and businesses) not currently connected to superfast broadband. Please send this information to Amy; amy@barrhilldevtrust.org, or pop into the Memorial Hall office on a Tuesday.

Community Fibre Partnerships
 Delivering fibre to the hardest reach communities

Barrhill Handyman Update

It's been a busy few weeks with all the plants arriving and all planters now filled with an array of flowers. It was quite a challenge to get them in as quickly as possible...but I did it! I've been quite busy maintaining the flowers and keeping the village free from foot litter. I would like to thank all those who have chosen to adopt a planter, this will be of great help to me in keeping the planters watered and free from those pesky weeds! Further plants arrived from South Ayrshire Council for Barrhill Primary School. I prepared the planters in the park area ready for the children to plant before they finished for their summer holidays, which has now been done and must I say, the children did a brilliant job...well done!

As some of you are aware (over 65's) I have begun to mow your lawns, I hope this has been of help to you all and made things a wee bit easier. I have also started work on sprucing up the community toilets and hope to bring more news by my next update.

I hope everyone is happy with my work so far and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support and advice, especially to the coffee morning ladies who always make me feel welcome for a cuppa and a chat!

Liam Barry