

**Kirkhill and District Amenities Association**

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

## **1 Attendance**

### **1.1 Members Present**

S Hogg (SH) - Chair,  
D Knox (DK),  
I MacLeod (IM),

W Williamson (WW),  
A Morrison (AM),  
Erik Lundberg (EL)

### **1.2 Apologies**

D Courts  
K Horne

## **2 Minutes**

### **2.1 Proposed/Seconded**

Proposed by AM and seconded by SH.

### **2.2 Matters Arising**

#### **2.2.1 Dog Mess**

EL has spoken with the Dog Warden from Highland Council. No dog mess had been found on the pitch and consequently, it had been decided that a bin was not required. A supply of bags had been made available and EL was to ask if a dispenser could be installed.

#### **2.2.2 Craft Fair**

WW reported that the Craft Fair had been successful and had raised a total of £290.

#### **2.2.3 Hall Charges**

Emails had not yet been sent to the users about the changes to the Hall charges. DK would do this now a list of users' email addresses was now available.

EL reported that the Aird Medical Practice would not be interested in using the Community Centre as they were stopping the remote surgery in Kirkhill in December.

## **3 Regular Items**

### **3.1 Action Calendar**

#### **3.1.1 Highland Council Revenue Grant**

SH reported that the Revenue Grant had been applied for and received.

#### **3.1.2 Fire Alarm Service**

AM reported that the service of the fire alarm had taken place in October.

#### **3.1.3 Policy Review**

SH reported that this had not yet been carried out.

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**3.2 Maintenance**

**3.2.1 Hot Water Fault**

AM reported that a bill for addressing the hot water fault had been received from GA Barnie. This was approximately £1344 and included £753 of labour. AM had challenged this with the company as he felt this to be excessive and was awaiting a response.

**3.2.2 Paving/Landscaping**

Work, which was due to begin later in the week, had been delayed due to an injury to the contractor. The tarmacking in the car park was being put off until a suitable time could be found.

**3.3 Safety**

There was no business raised.

**4 Treasurer's Report**

**4.1 Monthly Report**

SH, in her capacity as Acting Treasurer, presented the monthly financial report.

She reported that the loan from Highland Opportunity Ltd had been paid off, as agreed at the previous meeting. This meant that the KDAA was debt free.

The organisers of the Senior Citizens' Christmas Party had requested a donation similar to that given last year. It was agreed to donate £200 to this.

**4.2 Annual Accounts**

SH had circulated the Annual Accounts, which had been examined by Lorraine MacLeod. These would now be presented at the AGM in December.

**5 SCIO Constitution**

SH reported that she had submitted the application to create the Kirkhill Community Centre SCIO. This had been progressed into the OSCR system and a response was expected by the end of the year.

SH and IM would investigate finding a solicitor to handle any required legal work, hopefully for a nominal fee.

**6 Sports Field Drainage Project**

AM had emailed the potential and existing users to find out when a meeting could be arranged to discuss the project. Once responses were received, AM and EL would organise the meeting

SH would supply the details of existing MUGA users.

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## **7 AOCB**

### **7.1 Saturday Morning Football**

EL reported that the organisers of the Saturday morning children's football were forming a more formal organisation and that he had pointed them to the KDAA policy documents for guidance.

### **7.2 Highland Council Budget Consultation**

The proposals from Highland Council to reduce expenditure were circulated by SH. It was felt that there were a couple of areas which would impact the KDAA:

- Reduction in Revenue Grant – This would be reduced to £500 over three years. This would have little impact on the KDAA but would hurt other halls more. SH would indicate this in the response.
- Reduction in Ward Discretionary Grants – These had been useful in the past and any reduction would impact on future projects.
- Cessation or curtailment of grass cutting – Reducing or removing the grass cutting would have a major impact on the KDAA as the Sports Field required to be cut regularly. EL would investigate what costs would be involved to have this done commercially.

### **7.3 Village Shop**

Options for a shop in the village were being investigated by the Community Council in conjunction with the Community Trust. There was a discussion as to whether the KDAA should be involved and to what degree. It was proposed that land owned by the KDAA should be offered as an option for consideration, with any details to be examined at a later stage.

### **7.4 Annual General Meeting**

It was noted that the AGM would take place on 8<sup>th</sup> December in the Williamson Room.

DK would include details of the AGM in the email to users. He would also produce posters for the AGM.

SH reported that Amanda MacGillivray had resigned from the KDAA on the 1<sup>st</sup> October. The committee thanked Amanda for all her work, with particular regard for her success in reviving the Kirkhill Gala.

## **8 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held following the AGM on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at 7:30pm in the Williamson Room in the Community Centre.