

Craignish Community Company  
Minutes of Board Meeting 7.30pm 9th November 2022 via Zoom

Present:

Vicki Burnett (Chair), Siobhan Healy, Laura Leslie-Sherwood, Iain Saunders, Jane Smee (Secretary).

1. Apologies: Angie Bird, Rory Day, Mark Hampton, Christian Smyth.
2. Minutes of Board meeting 12th October 2022: a draft had been circulated before the meeting and these were approved.
3. Finance: as Christian was not present this was postponed to the next meeting.
4. Community Action Plan: as Annie Loughlin was unable to attend, it was agreed to invite her to the December meeting and postpone any further discussion until then.
5. Galley of Lorne, application for registration of interest: Laura reported that the application was now ready, and that the plan was to submit it and deal with any requests for more information from the Government directorate as these arose. This is a strategy that other communities have used successfully; Laura will visit some of these to gain some practical suggestions. A presentation of the procedure will be prepared, so that anyone interested can see what is involved. It is still not known when the Galley might go up for sale. Every effort has always been made to keep relations with the owners on an open, honest and friendly footing and in the spirit of this they will be warned that the application is on its way and invited to meet to discuss it.
6. Healy Arts Charity: Siobhan reported that her building was still not ready so she had approached the village hall to see if the Christmas decoration workshop could be accommodated there but unfortunately this will not be possible. Instead there will be a showcase as part of the Christmas Fair at the hall on 11th November. The building will at least be weathertight so there is still a chance of an event before Christmas, but the full planned programme will be better held in spring when the building is completely sound.
7. Kilvaree Chapel and carved stones: an email from David Jardine, of the Natural History & Antiquarian Society of Mid-Argyll, with attached report of a meeting at the Chapel, had been circulated. There is concern about the effect of vegetation growing on the building, and the condition of the shelter over the stones, and a working party to deal with these was proposed. Iain expected that this would be discussed at the next Community Council meeting, and for now it was agreed that Vicki would email back to say that we support the venture and to let us know what assistance we can give.
8. Registers of members and directors: Jane reported that these were now complete; they had been circulated to the Board and would be kept ready to be disclosed in the permitted circumstances. She will amend them if new members/directors join or leave, and carry out an annual 'checkup', before the AGM, to make sure that everyone's details are up to date.
9. There was nothing to report under Communications and no other matters were raised.
10. Date of next meeting: 14th December 2022 at 7.30pm at the village hall, with social event to follow. Jane will send out the draft agenda earlier than usual, a fortnight before the meeting, to get an idea of how many would be able to attend.

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Chairman

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