

**Applecross Community Hall Committee Meeting 21/10/2025 at 7.00pm (Applecross Hall & Online)
Minutes**

Minutes taken by Saara Viitanen

Present: Barbara Gillies (BG), Saara Viitanen (SV), Anne Macrae (AM), Rhona McPartlin (RM), Ishbel Ferguson (IF), Agnes Rymowicz (AR), Elodie Matthews (EM), Holly Wood (HW)

Apologies: Christian Burgin (CB), Caty MacLennan (CM)

Agenda Items

Approval of minutes from previous meeting on 23/09/2025

- IF proposed, AR seconded.

Treasurer's Report

- BG submitted an application to Dochas for various running costs of the hall. Awaiting response.
- CB is progressing the SCIO accounts.
- There was a general discussion about raffle prizes and ideas for new prizes. BG to ask for prize donations.
- Awaiting invoice payment from Morrisons.
- BG has submitted an application for a new bank account for the SCIO.
- £70 has been raised towards a remote firing device (worth £200) for Guy Fawkes Night.

Bar Report

- BG thanked AM, HW and EM who have run the bar during recent events.

Report of Action Points

- **Toddler Playpark:** Storage box has been installed.
- **Main Playpark:** Works have been completed by Highland Council.

- **Upcoming Events:** A general discussion about upcoming events, including Guy Fawkes Night, Games Night, Wester Ross Dark Skies Festival Talk, Cinema Club, Christmas Market, Seniors' Christmas Dinner and Hogmanay, as well as various 2026 concerts and other events.
- **Building Maintenance:** BG to follow up about various ongoing works. The committee thanked Jill who had stepped down as the hall cleaner, and welcomed Suzanne as the new cleaner.
- **SCIO:** BG is progressing the transfer of the building to the new SCIO with a lawyer.

New Items

Applecross App

- There was a general discussion about the new Applecross App. AR to draft a response about the app and circulate to the committee before sending. AR to clarify if there is a payment needed to be included.

Solar Panel (Helipad)

- BG to approach the Healthcare Society to move the solar panel temporarily.

Gaelic

- SV had updated the website to include Gaelic translations, kindly provided by Roddy Maclean. The committee is grateful for his contribution.
- Bòrd na Gàidhlig to be approached for funding for bilingual signs for the building. CM / Bealach to be approached.

AOB

- There was a discussion about the first half of 2026, when BG will be away, and dividing responsibilities:
 - Maintenance: EM / Stuart
 - Emails & bookings: AM / SV
 - Finances: SV / RM / CB

Next Meeting

The next meeting date is Tuesday 18th November at 7pm.

BG concluded the meeting.