

**Applecross Community Hall Committee Meeting 20/9/2022 at 7pm (Applecross Hall / Google Meet)
Minutes**

Minutes taken by Saara Viitanen

Present: Barbara Gillies (BG), Ishbel Ferguson (IF), Christian Burgin (CB), Anne Macrae (AM), Saara Viitanen (SV), Rhona McPartlin (RM)

Apologies: Elaine Glover (EG)

Agenda items	Action point	Action completed by
<p>Approval of minutes from previous meeting on 16/8/22</p> <p>Proposed by BG, seconded by AM.</p>		
<p>Treasurer's report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● EG to send receipt for snacks order for bar for reimbursement. ● Better financial situation than last month - £10,000 donation from hydro scheme (2 years community benefit), duathlon & duathlon ceilidh income. ● Discussion about new contract for landline and whether to include a broadband contract, or perhaps a mobile phone now that new mast has been switched on. AppleNet is free for the Hall and the committee is grateful for the community company's support. BG to contact Calum at community company to enquire about rewiring to improve connection. ● SK reported electric meter is out of order - BG has contacted SSE about smart meter installation but no slots until January. BG to contact SSE again about meter. ● BG has restocked gas bottles. Gas connection maintenance completed. ● Committee thanked BG, Jack and all others involved for all their work on securing the donation of £10,000 from the hydro scheme at Callakille. This is really helpful for covering all recent maintenance costs which have been large. ● CB still working on discounts/exemptions to water and council tax - can apply in a few months. ● Discussion about strupags, producers' markets and raffles/bric a bracs. Continuing to 	<p>EG</p> <p>BG</p> <p>BG</p> <p>CB</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>

<p>build on inventory of raffle prizes. Next strupag/producers' market Friday 30th September - AM to help organise raffle.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not heard back from B&Q Community Building Fund yet. • SV to forward one potential grant fund to BG. SV & BG to look at 5G grant fund for PA system/cinema equipment. • BG to meet with Highland Network scheme about funding for cinema equipment. Quote for cinema/audio equipment upgrades through them - discussion about what equipment is needing upgraded and how to make it practical and non-intrusive for other uses. Committee decided to prioritise PA equipment over cinema equipment for now, as it is used more often. • BG still needs to file mandate to take off old signatories. 	<p>AM</p> <p>SV, BG</p> <p>BG</p> <p>BG</p>	<p>30th September</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>
<p>Bar report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premises licence has been reapplied for and approved, 10% discount awarded by Highland Council. • Tom still has not received his personal licence from Highland Council - chasing up. • SV to continue looking into stock automation. • David noted bar needs restocked. BG to ask EG if she could do a stock take. • Bar training - EG & David to organise. 	<p>Tom</p> <p>SV</p> <p>BG, EG</p> <p>EG, David</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>
<p>Report of action points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BG to approach Duncan McCowan to enquire about installing fire strips on doors. • Review of hire charges - CB to price up heating costs, committee to re-discuss then. • Learn to repair sessions to come to an end - SK might continue with the Applecross environment group. • Ideas for future events discussed: fun fashion show - to be advertised on Facebook, quiz nights, themed nights (different nationality meals? Burns night?), pool & table tennis & board games night. Hand out surveys at strupags/shop, AM to organise for next producers' market. • BG to follow up on master keys. • Folding doors - committee decided to leave as is (no door) for now. • Stage curtain - BG to follow up with George. 	<p>BG</p> <p>CB</p> <p>BG / AM</p> <p>AM</p> <p>BG</p> <p>BG</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>Next meeting</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Boiler service - SK to follow up once he has time. SK & BG to test fire alarm after meeting. Oil levels ok, SK to keep checking. Discussion about getting small fridge for kitchen, bigger fridge could be used for bigger events. Bouncy castle to be moved into container temporarily, BG liaising. SV to add statement on website about viewing policies on request. Chubb fire fighting equipment servicing done - invoice to follow, BG to chase. CB left meeting at 8pm. SV to ask CB for an update re. SCIO application. Talk about starting a kids' Gaelic club again - IF to follow up. BG to follow up on advice on glass in car park with Kenny MacBeath. Discussion on community fridge / sharing box idea - AM to add a question on interest in this in survey at producers' market. SK and Jack picking up pool table coming weekend. 	SK SK, BG SK BG SV BG SV IF BG AM	ASAP ASAP Ongoing ASAP ASAP ASAP ASAP Next meeting ASAP 30th September
Hogmanay <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion about having local musicians perform this year. BG to contact. BlackRock Ceilidh Band booked for 2023/24. 	BG	ASAP
Bookings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Another wedding booked for next year. BG to start wedding 'portfolio' document with prices, photos & other information for those interested to book. BG to check with EG about crockery hire charges for weddings. Discussion about booking performers for next year. SK to look on TourBook & BG to send login details to AM. BG to follow up with enquiry about Breabach booking for next year. Duathlon 16th September 2023 - BG to follow up about booking BlackRock Ceilidh Band again. Suggestion to liaise with other local venues to catch bands who are touring in the area. BG to ask Walled Garden crew if they would like to do an event next year. 	BG BG SK, BG BG BG	Next meeting Next meeting Next meeting Next meeting Next meeting
AOB	Action point	Action completed by
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No other business raised. 		

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 18th October 2022 at 7pm.

BG concluded the meeting.