

Dundrennan Village Hall Committee

Minutes of a meeting
held on Tuesday 4th July at 6pm
at Dundrennan Village Hall

1 Attendees and apologies

Present:

Glyn Machon Chair

Gill Edmondson

Carol Dunbar

Sally Russell

members of public Jacqui Pendleton

Apologies: Debbie Craig

2 Approve minutes of meeting held Wednesday 24th May 2023

Approved noting work to repair slates on hall roof still needs to be completed

3 Matters arising

a. Filmbank Media have been paid

GE also reported Driftwood Cinema had been in touch to explain their funding has been reduced they are looking at other funding opportunities. In the meantime Rosie has agreed to stay on a voluntary part time basis advised to allow more time to get films ordered.

b. Garden "pay back team" have done a lot of cutting back in the hall Garden hoping they will be back again .

4 Update on Hall Events

- Church Service – at the moment it looks like there are no further services planned at the hall , Await to hear if there will be an outdoor Abbey service and if so if they need the hall for refreshments.

- Joint DCC/Village Hall event on the playing field

Agreed , Hall Committee can offer use of the Hall BBQ and the folding tables if needed.

Possible date for this could be Fri 18th Saturday 19th August.

Suggested ideas

Village Picnic with perhaps Rounders Game

Bring your own burgers and drinks

Await outcome of these suggestions to be offered at the next Community Council Meeting to be held on 11th July.

During discussion it was acknowledged that the hall committee has not been charging for recent community events hosted in the hall film screenings, bbq etc Taking into account increase energy costs, more local competition from other village halls beginning to advertise , and possible interest in using the hall for Yoga /Pilates classes, it was hoped that any new lets should at least break even.

To this end it was suggested future hall events will need to be charged out at a more

commercial competitive rate

Agreed initially to increase the hall hire rates to
£15 per hour for commercial lets
£12 per hour for local residents

It was felt this was fair and will bring the hall in line with other local facilities

Agreed to begin marketing the hall more widely – firstly producing A5 flyers
CD to design these and distribute to local outlets, Jacqui agreed to display one in Crown
& Anchor

Jacqui also volunteered to help organise a hall fundraising quiz night in the hall following
the previous successful format, with everyone bringing a plate to share and a raffle
proposed date - Saturday 2nd December - final details to be agreed at next meeting

Cinema Screenings

Since the last meeting successful childrens film Sing 2 10th June
SR organised this with 14 attending

Next proposed screenings

Friday 8th September 7pm Westside Story (new version)
Friday 13th October 7pm Halloween childrens film tbc

Fri in November = Presentation by local whisky distillery followed by film Whisky Galore
SR to contact distillery again to finalise date/time

As the Quiz will be early December it is hoped to host a Christmas themed film later in
December

Advertising of all the above may go in the bulletin to gain wider interest
Any charges to be finalised at next meeting

5 Hall Maintenance

GM to complete work to slates on roof and install eurolock to back door to comply
with fire risk assessment

GE reported Hall annual insurance is due for renewal – it has increased again this
year
£901.65

Agreed to seek alternative quotes in time for next years renewal

Discussed option to replace the wooden table with stackable lightweight folding
tables with storage unit with additional trolley to help move chairs

Agreed costs will be presented at next meeting
CD to get costs for sofa covers now we have measurements
GE/SR to research costs for tables and trolley

6 Next Meeting – will be held on Tuesday 5th September at 6pm