

Annual General Meeting Minutes
Saturday 22nd June 2024
The Auld School Community Centre, 3pm



Present Trustees: Marie McNulty (MM) – Chair, Ann Berry (AB) - Treasurer, Brian Duffie (BD) – Secretary, Jean Wyllie (JW), Joe Rigby (JR), David Walker (DW), Janette Gates (JG)

Present Members: Morag Campbell, Rosemary Duffie, Grace Dunlop, Neil Gates, James Stewart

Present Non-Members: Amy-Dee Watson – Project Officer (ADW)

Quorate: One third of Ordinary Membership present in person for a majority decision to be taken.

-	Welcome MM welcomed participants to the meeting and reviewed the agenda.	
1.	Apologies Ian Walker, Stanley Wayman, Maureen Wayman, Claire Pirrie, Imogen Froy-Michel	Action
2.	Approval of 2023 AGM The minutes of the 2023 AGM were approved by JW and seconded by JG.	
3.	<p>Chair Report</p> <p>MM read out the Chair's report, as below:</p> <p><i>2023 - 2024 has been a very busy year for PPCDT and our achievements. Trustees have put so much energy and time into the last year. Attending meetings, supporting activities like Cosy Space, events on the field and the refurbishment of The Auld School. As well as trustees' many other locals have committed time to supporting the community from transforming the garden at The Auld School, supporting the Cosy Space, looking after Pinwherry field, taking time to check the community defibrillators monthly.</i></p> <p><i>Key highlights of the Trust in 2023 – 24:</i></p> <p><i>~ The Auld School Community Centre</i> <i>In 2023 the final piece of the jigsaw was secured when we received the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund (RCGF). With the support of South Ayrshire Council staff in drawing down this funding this would give us the largest part of the funds needed for the school build works. We received £197,633 RCGF funding, and with the £33,924.42 from Pinwherry and Pinmore Community Fund meant that the phase 3 redevelopments went ahead in 2024.</i></p> <p><i>~ Pinmore Play Park and Picnic Area</i> <i>During 2023 the Trust along with the Community Council and South Ayrshire Council Parks and Open Spaces department, finalised designs for a playpark and picnic area on Pinmore Green. After securing a suitable contractor works commenced in May 2024. The designs were based on consultation carried out in 2022 with the community. We secured the full amount £164,162.50 to carry out the work and a written agreement between South Ayrshire Council and PPCDT drawn up for the maintenance, inspections and insurance on the site.</i></p> <p><i>~ Pinwherry Field</i> <i>From funding secured in Spring 2023 PPCDT work has commenced to create a community growing space on Pinwherry Field. The pergola, polytunnel and shed is now up ready for the season.</i></p> <p><i>~ Cosy Space</i> <i>Since we received the funds in 2023 to set up a Cosy Space in phase 2 of the Auld School, these have continued weekly throughout 23- 24 and continue to be supported.</i></p>	

	<p><i>~ Staffing to Support The Auld School</i> <i>After successful grant applications to the Pinwherry and Pinmore Community Fund for £32,448.00 along with an award £5,000 from Community Empowerment Fund, this has allowed us to contract two self-employed roles for The Auld School, a caretaker and a cleaner.</i> <i>~ Running Costs for the PPCDT and The Auld School.</i> <i>We were successful in 2024 with our application to the Pinwherry and Pinmore Community Fund for the running costs of PPCDT and awarded £18,600.</i></p> <p><i>Other development initiatives in support of Pinwherry and Pinmore:</i> <i>~ PPCDT have participated in a new community led tourism project with SCOTO (Scottish Community Tourism Organisation) working with other villages across the Stinchar Valley and this will be developed further in 2024 – 25.</i> <i>~ PPCDT together with Community Council have worked with the Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere to start the process of Pinwherry and Pinmore becoming recognised Biosphere Communities.</i> <i>~ PPCDT has been representing the villages of Pinwherry and Pinmore supporting the local community transport initiative for the Stinchar Valley villages.</i></p> <p>At this point, DW advised that the Pinwherry and Pinmore Community Association (PPCA) has now dissolved as of their 2024 AGM and the members from PPCA are joining PPCDT.</p>	
4.	<p>Financial Report</p> <p>AB presented the treasurer report, as required by the constitution, for year ending May 2024.</p> <p>PPCDT have now fully transitioned across to XERO accounting and this will be managed by Parris and McNALLY accountants.</p> <p>2023 – 2024 has seen the ongoing works and now completion of the Auld School. Our project officer Amy has been very busy sourcing funds not only for the school but funds to support the ongoing costs, caretaker costs, cleaner costs and costs for other equipment.</p> <p>The playpark area at Pinmore has also now been completed with all the snagging issues rectified and final invoice paid.</p> <p><u>Current financial balance</u> £120989.8521 + £69.21 petty cash Total £121059.06</p> <p>Further information is available from AB.</p>	
5.	<p>Retirement of Existing Trustees</p> <p>All 8 Trustees stood down.</p>	
6.	<p>Re-election of Trustees</p> <p>Voting for re-electing Trustees commenced. 12 Ordinary Members were present and eligible to vote, however those standing, did not vote for themselves. Voting as follows:</p> <p>To re-appoint Marie McNulty as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To re-appoint Ann Berry as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To re-appoint David Walker as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To re-appoint Joe Rigby as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To re-appoint Jean Wyllie as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To re-appoint Janette Gates as Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain</p> <p>Four Members, Stanley Wayman, Maureen Wayman, Claire Pirrie and Imogen Froy-Michel voted electronically in advance of the AGM and all voted in favour of each Trustee to be reappointed, bringing the totals to 15 For each Trustee.</p>	
7.	<p>Election of Nominated Trustee</p>	

	<p>Two Members was nominated to stand as Trustee, prior to the deadlines set out in the formal AGM notices; James Stewart and Ian Walker. The voting was as follows:</p> <p>To elect James Stewart as a Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain To elect Ian Walker as a Trustee = 11 For, 0 Against, 0 Abstain</p> <p>The electronic votes from Stanley Wayman, Maureen Wayman, Claire Pirrie and Imogen Froy-Michel brought the total votes For James Stewart to be elected as a Trustee to 15 and For Ian Walker to be elected as Trustee to 15.</p>	
8.	<p>Appointment of Office Bearers</p> <p>It was decided to vote on the appointment of Office Bearers, commencing with the role of Chair. MM wished to re-stand as Chair. All other Members present (11) voted in favour of MM being reappointed as Chair.</p> <p>There were no nominations to take the role of Vice-Chair. The position remains vacant and will be revisited at the first Board meeting after the AGM.</p> <p>AB wished to re-stand as Treasurer. All other Members present (11) voted in favour of AB being reappointed as Treasurer.</p> <p>The Secretary role was vacant and JG wished to stand as Secretary. All other Members present (11) voted in favour of JG undertaking the role of Secretary.</p>	
9.	<p>Close AGM</p> <p>MM thanked everyone for attending and formally closed the AGM.</p>	