

## PPCDT Trustees and Trust Members Meeting Minutes

Thursday 12th June 2025 – 7pm Auld School Community Centre

Janette Gates (JG)	Trustee	Neil Gates (NG)	Caretaker
Ann Berry (AB)	Trustee	Marie McNulty (MM)	Trustee
Jean Wyllie (JW)	Trustee	Joe Rigby (JR)	Trustee
Morag Campbell (MC)	Member		

1. **Welcome:** MM opened the meeting by welcoming all present.
2. **Apologies:** David Walker, Jimmy Stewart
3. **Declarations of Interest:** None
4. **Approval of minutes dated May 2025:** The minutes were proposed by MM and seconded by AB.
5. **Matters arising from minutes not on the agenda:**  
The following actions were discussed:

CARRIED FORWARD ACTIONS	OWNER	Status
Neil to ask Jamie about cost of creating a copy of the memorial which can stay outside, also will look into other suppliers. Agreed to explore options to dismount brass plaque from marble.	Neil / Marie	VistaPrint will not print a war memorial. Neil has a price from a company who will etch onto plastic. Trustees agreed to amend wording to 'wartime'. Backing for bronze indoor black will be oak veneer. Trustees agreed to put this on the entrance wall in the hallway. Trustees discussed cleaning it but Neil cannot find anyone in the area and is concerned about the lettering being affected by cleaning. Marie will contact SAC again re the lettering and cleaning. ACTION: Marie
Marie to recall the builders for snagging - re crack appearing in the ceiling of the main hall.	Marie	Complete.
Marie to review T&Cs and re-issue to all groups.	Marie	Carry forward
Marie/Neil to follow up install defib at Auld School	Ann	Trustees agreed to donate the CPR dummy to Community Heartstart (Mark Bradley, Colmonell). ACTION: Neil. Carry forward.

Neil to arrange for the toilets to be checked for Pinfest	Neil / Marie	Neil has put the new lock on the door. Trustees agreed to get a half-size green bin for dog waste. ACTION: Marie Carry forward.
Jean to decide on a day for the sewing/knitting group.	Jean	Carry forward
Marie to produce a version of the small grants poster for printing.	Marie	Carry forward. Amy will create this.
Neil to contact Alan Smith to quote for solar.	Neil	Complete.
Neil to buy two clocks - one for lounge and one for the hall.	Neil	Neil has put a clock in the lounge and will get one for the main hall. Carry forward
Janette to apply to PPCC for a TV license.	Janette	Complete. PPCC currently considering the application.
David to cut the grass on the field and get some quotes for a sit-on lawnmower.	David	Quotes have been received. Grass-cutting to be carried forward.
Janette to contact GSAB to ask whether they can run an event for children re biodiversity.	Janette	In progress. Suggestion is for a Nature Day on 27th July incorporating a few different activities.

## 6. Building Works

- MM, JG and Neil had a meeting with Gordon this week. He will chase up the builders regarding the leaks in the toilet and to change the taps in both the mens and ladies. Gordon suggested adding an electric car charger to the building, which might be good for income generation. Also discussed disabled access and Gordon suggested disabled people could enter the building by the back entrance. Neil will check the walk way is wide enough, jet wash the rear path and arrange for community payback to clear up the foliage. **ACTION: Neil** Trustees noted it would be challenging to add a ramp to the front door for the main hall access, and one option would be to turn the steps round and add a lift, which would be expensive.
- Neil received a quote of £13,000 from Octopus for 20 solar panels and 2 batteries but is not certain if a return is available within 5 years. Trustees agreed that Neil should get more quotes. **ACTION: Neil**
- The application to the Community Resilience Fund has been accepted for the generator, etc and newsletters to communicate more with residents over the year. SPEN unfortunately cancelled the meeting this evening but this will be rescheduled. Trustees discussed how SPEN might support us during bad weather. Trustees agreed to go ahead with the purchases for which we have received funding.
- The application for the sit-on lawnmower for the field is currently with the P&P Community Fund and we are expecting a decision next week. The Trustees discussed where we should keep it and agreed to clear out the shipping container and check the bouncy castle once the weather improves. Marie suggested checking the fencing

and replacing the bunting. Neil agreed to ask Community Packback to paint the cabins, and contact somebody to take the old lawnmower. **ACTION: Neil.**

## **7. Events & activities**

### **a. Events sub-committee report**

- The Silent Auction was a great success, with a great deal of money being raised and a great atmosphere in the hall. The bar raised £308.
- Pinfest will take place on 19th July, and needs to be advertised on FB. The Trustees discussed doing the bar ourselves for future events and asking Stinchar Connections to put on a community bus. Morag will discuss this with the Events Committee. **ACTION: Morag.**
- Trustees agreed to cancel the Whiskey Tasting event due to low ticket sales.
- Anne Gerard has suggested a sports and exercise psychological support group on a weekly basis for 4 weeks. Trustees agreed this can take place on Wednesdays. Neil and Marie will arrange with Anne. **ACTION: Marie/Neil.**

### **b. Project Officer report**

- Amy talked through her report.
- Amy advised that no Trustee nominations have been received for voting at the AGM. The Trustees discussed whether a Trustee can be appointed from outwith the area. Marie will contact David and Jimmy to check if they want to stand. **ACTION: Marie**
- It was noted that the bar at the AGM will be by donation.
- Trustees discussed the newsletter. Janette will produce labels and contact David Hall regarding benefits available to residents. **ACTION: Janette.** Newsletter needs to go out by Friday so Trustees should provide any input by Monday evening.

### **c. Nursery update**

- Trustees discussed this as part of the Project Officer report and agreed it is important to select someone to do the feasibility study who will involve the community in the decision.

## **8. Finance and Funding**

- See report. We currently have £85,568.89 in restricted funds, £1696.00 unrestricted and £565 in unrestricted cash.

## **9. AOB**

- MM advised that SPR have contacted us regarding options to distribute funds forthcoming from the Arecleoch and Killgallioch wind farm extensions. Marie to progress. **ACTION: Marie.**
- Trustees discussed that cosy space is going well and is well attended.

<b>ACTION SUMMARY</b>	<b>OWNER</b>
Neil to arrange for Community Payback to clear the foliage at the rear of the school.	Neil
Neil to get more quotes for solar panels.	Neil
Neil to ask Community Packback to paint the cabins and contact somebody to take the old lawnmower	Neil
Morag to discuss with Events Committee doing the bar ourselves at future events and approaching Stinchar Connections to put on a bus for Pinfest.	Morag
Marie & Neil to arrange sports wellbeing session with Anne Gerard.	Marie/Neil
Marie to contact David and Jimmy to check they want to stand as Trustees.	Marie
Janette to produce the labels for the newsletters and contact David Hall re benefits available to residents.	Janette
Marie to discuss with SPR re funds forthcoming from the Arecleoch and Killgallioch wind farm extensions.	Marie