

## **Minutes of C3 Board meeting 11th March 2020**

### **Craignish Village Hall**

1. **Apologies** were received from Iain, Vicki & Nick. Present: Rory, Tim and John. Blair was present for item 6. Tim took the chair.

2. The **minutes** of 5th February 2020 were approved

### **3. Matters arising**

**Skiff project** - The funding application on behalf of the Boat Club but in the name of C3 was not submitted. Instead, a partly built skiff has been sourced and is being funded locally. The Boat Club has set up a separate bank account for the project.

**Defibrillator** - John has taken delivery of the new defibrillator and its cabinet. The cost of £1606 has been paid out of the restricted First Responder funds and will be partly offset by donations, already totalling more than £600.

### **4. John presented his Finance Report & the audited Accounts for 2019**

John presented his monthly financial report showing movements in relation to the roundhouse and defibrillator. The accounts for 2019 were approved and signed in readiness for the AGM.

5. **Boat Jumble** - 21st March - So far 18 tables and 11 car boot slots have been booked. In 2019 it was 19 & 13. Press releases have gone out and posters have been distributed from Dunstaffnage to Campbeltown. Scott is still responsible for car parking and Paul will provide taxi service. Only outstanding concern is the sourcing of raffle prizes.

### **6. Community/School Play Area & Roundhouse**

**Roof** - Blair has been working hard on having the Roundhouse ready for the membrane and turfing. The plan for the roof is a perimeter of 60mm perforated pipe set in pea gravel. The sarking will be covered in compost-filled hessian sacks to a depth of 75mm. On top of this will be placed the turf which is 25mm thick. Finally, rope will be used to secure the turf until the roots take hold. The bags have been ordered but there is a three week delivery putting the roofing session back to the week beginning March 30th. The total cost of the materials is in the region of £600. After a little bit of tidying, it should be possible to carry out a healthy and safety inspection with the school. Blair explained the challenge of designing a cover for the roof opening that would be waterproof but also allow in light. Cutting the ends of the rafters above the fixing bolts had left a 'circle' with a diameter of 170cm. Rory and Blair had looked at possibilities of perspex dome covers. Blair presented a design using wood, aluminium and toughened glass which would address most of the issues but would cost more than £2,000. The three directors proposed that Rory contact Iain upon his return and that they, and any other interested and available directors, make the decision about how to proceed. A decision is urgently needed because of its potential to delay the whole roofing process. Blair will email confirmation of estimated costs.

**Action: Iain, Rory, Blair**

**Electricity supply** - Iain Meikle has inspected the mains box on the side of the shed. The principal incoming cable is live but the outgoing cables to the shed fuse box have been disconnected. The box itself is safe. There is a large black cable beside the box which presumably took the supply to Rosemary's caravan.

It is proposed that the plot is commissioned without doing any more work on the electrics. If deemed useful in the future the connection could be restored to the shed, possibly with an external socket.

**Date for school access** - It is proposed that, following a health & safety inspection, the school have access on 20th April, the beginning of the summer term. Argyll & Bute and Christian Siva-Jothy have been notified.

**Opening Party** - Rory agreed to work with members of the Parent Council on organising an appropriate celebration over the weekend 18/19th April. It would be desirable to involve the children and Blair wanted to take the opportunity to thank a number of people who have been involved in the project. Blair to email list.

**Action: Rory, Blair**

7. **AGM** - The notice of the AGM will go on the noticeboard at the beginning of next week and Vicki will be asked to post on FaceBook page and website. Current directors minus Scott and Patricia would be available for re-election.

Rob Stephens had indicated a willingness to serve on the board.

8. **Village Noticeboard** - Aware of the urgent need for a replacement noticeboard for the village outside the shop, the directors agreed that C3 would fund the purchase of a new weather-tight board. The cost would be in the region of £1500 + VAT. We would ask that there would be wording on the noticeboard indicating that it was funded by the Community Company.

9. **C3 website and FaceBook page** - Written report from Vicki: We now have a Facebook page which has 51 followers to date. Admin are currently Tiziana, Rory, Iain, Nick and Vicki. Others can be added. Vicki will have overall responsibility for it and post as and when we have anything to say. Once the website is complete the two platforms will complement each other. We also have a new email address [craignishcommunityco@gmail.com](mailto:craignishcommunityco@gmail.com)

10. **Broadband** - Written report from Nick: OpenReach have given a quote for approximately £29000 for 13 properties around the new houses at the Glebe. This is still above the basic grant for domestic properties, but looking at self dig options it may be feasible. I have still to receive the quote for the whole community so we can save comparisons until we get that back.

11. **AOB** - Directors were happy that a Trust grant for Cromach following the 'Re-wilding' meeting be paid into the C3 account.

12. Next meeting AGM 8th April