

DFHC (SC042692)

Business Meeting 20/3/25

Present - L Ferguson (Chair), D Rollo (Vice chair), L Baines (Secretary), W Roberts (Treasurer), L Telford, J Wilson, D Crew, I Cranston

Apologies - J Currie

Item 1 - SGM debrief - Chair has forwarded all relevant paperwork (Leaflet, Presentation, Minutes, Voting slips) to solicitors to enable the transfer of land back to affected households.

A mandate has been sent to AHC to forward all DFHC legal documents to Morton, Fraser, McRoberts.

Item 2 - Chair received a document from a villager regarding the bleaching green area, it was shared with the Council who noted it as received with no further action.

Vote agree - 8, disagree - 0

Item 3 - EV Charging - our solicitors have also asked for further detail on Fisherman's Carpark area to progress this, D Ploughman (Community Council) is the lead for this project and Chair has asked him to liaise with Scottish Power.

L Baines (Secretary) volunteered to take the lead with this for DFHC and will contact both D Ploughman and solicitor and report back to Council.

He will also pursue the Foundation Scotland funding for the electrical survey proposed for the Green.

Chair will forward all relevant paperwork for this.

Item 4 - SCIO/Development Trust - Fiona Benton will be invited to an Open meeting on 12/5/25 to discuss the implications for SCIO/Development Trust so that the best way forward for DFHC can be considered.

Item 5 - Dean sub committee - TOR - changes suggested by the sub committee were shared and accepted, however it was noted that Trustees were omitted from 3c. Trustees (given their collective responsibility and personal liability) need to be included in sub committee meetings so this needs to be reflected in the TOR.

Vote agree - 8, disagree - 0

Dean sub committee Chair has written to the contractor to ask why monies are still being held by them for the timber.

It was suggested that DFHC Chair also write to the contractor to ask for an explanation - this will be discussed with sub committee Chair.

Community Woodland - the sub committee are working on developing a 10 year management plan for the Dean. This will supersede the plan developed by M Braithwaite in 2018, however this land is still registered under M Braithwaite with the Scottish Government Rural Payments and Inspections Department and needs to be changed so that funding/grants are available.

It was noted that once properly registered with the Land Registry, the Quoiting Haugh may also attract funding/grants in this way.

Chair will progress this.

Item 6 - Events - 5/4/25 & 3/5/25- car boot sale, proposal to offer coffees/teas/hotdogs at these events to further raise funds was agreed

Vote agree - 8, disagree - 0

J Currie asked to advertise the event on FB page.

VE Day Picnic - 4/5/25, followed by a Tea Dance run by the Village Hall Committee.

There is funding available for events to celebrate VE Day, the Community Council will apply so that a joint event can be held.

Secretary will speak to his military colleagues to explore the possibility of military involvement in the event.

Item 7 - Common Riding 31/5/25 - toilets/skip are booked. Neighbourhood Fund is due to reopen in April when funding for these will be sought.

Council agreed that the usual funfair/stands can attend.

Parking - sticker system to be used again following its success last year. There was some discussion around the wider parking issues that are created on that day and the limitations on DFHCs ability to manage these, ie the public can park on public roads.

C McCreerie has been asked to welcome the Principals, prints from S Milligan DFHC will ask Common Riding committee to provide a list of other charitable organisations who may want to collect at the event.

Item 8 - W Robson Memorial bench - agreed that it will go on the Green overlooking the Fox & Hounds. L Temple is liaising with the council and will meet to discuss position, fixings etc prior to its unveiling.

Item 9 - Vice chair has donated a knapsack sprayer for our use, this will be stored in the Community shed.

Item 10 - DFHC ball not hailed this year so monies to be returned to ourselves and Community Council. Ball needs to be returned to DFHC for use next year.

Item 11 - Open Meeting 12/5/25 at 7pm in Village Hall. Fiona Benton to be in attendance to present on SCIO/Development Trust. F Stewart and V Oswald will also be asked to present their recent work in this area.