

**ACHMORE COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION**  
**Minutes of meeting Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at 7.30pm**

1) Present: Mhairi Macrae, David Kemp, Angie Gibson, Ellanne Fraser, Ruth Mockett, Mel Prytz (minutes)

2) Apologies: Jackie Parsons, Patti Heavyside, Marion Howat.

3) Approval of May minutes: Mhairi approved the minutes and Ellanne seconded the minutes.

4) Treasurer's Report: Mhairi reported that as of today, the Hall Bank Balance is £10,128.00. The renovation bills have been paid. There is some money in petty cash.

5) Booking Report: Angie reported that Plockton High School have booked 'stage hire' on 25<sup>th</sup> June. They will be returning it the following Monday as there is a wedding booking 26<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> June in the hall. Grace is looking into the High School making a donation. Angie is looking into whether the High School would consider doing an exchange and lend us Screen and/or Projector at a later date for a film night.

6) <u>100 Club</u> :	1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	Gill Barnett
	2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	Kate Bulloch
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	Angie Gibson

7) Correspondence: The Solar Panel information pack is with Mhairi. The SSE meter reading has been posted online by Mhairi.

8) Matters Arising:

a) Hall Governance/Legal

i) Draft SCIO -Subcommittee meeting hasn't happened yet.

b) Hall Maintenance

i) Bulbs for LED lighting: Jim ordered 12 and they have arrived, he was messaged to drop them off with Angie/ Jackie later messaged to say she has them and will take them in on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> at The Repair Cafe.

ii) Harling: no update

iii) Gutters: Gutters are cleared (taken off task list) but there followed a discussion and a committee visit to the 'drain/downpipe' at the front left corner of the hall (by the keysafe). The soak away is not properly clearing and the cover was deemed rather unsafe. We agreed the drainage needs looking at and the safety cover improving. Ellane agreed to contact Jon Don.

iv) Shed: Jackie discussed it at length with a joiner who recommended a totally new shed for cost effectiveness and suitability long term. A new shed means items could be stored safely without the threat of damp. Mary Macrae whose land it is on had wanted the sheds site rearranged some time ago. Jackie proposed in her email that we apply for funding for a new shed and site it where the oil tank is after it is hopefully removed.

c) Hall Equipment:

- i) Shelving in Crockery cupboard: Neil Barra will do them at the next Repair Cafe.
- ii) Pool Table Repairs: Sean Mc Fleet will do this when he is at the cubs but needs some strong folk to turn the table on its side in order to do this. Anyone? Mel will follow up the possibility of wheels with Sean.
- iii) Damaged Equipment in Shed: Mhairi confirmed one tressle table (the worst) has been removed, another is still in the shed. Ewan may be able to take the shed in August.
- iv) Trophy Shelf: still on task list.

d) Fundraising:

- i) Repair Cafe: 15<sup>th</sup> June 1-4pm. Baking and help in the cafe was sought by Jackie. Angie offered scones. Mel will post it on whats app. Ruth will help in the cafe from 2.30pm.
- ii) Table sale fundraiser: Dates to discuss with Marion, possibly for the autumn.
- iii) Community Resilience Fund: Mhairi submitted the application for a grant of £1,167 for a PA System. David has researched some equipment HK Audio at a cost £800-£900. Jackie gave her feedback by email on different PA systems and attached a link.
- iv) Film Night: Discussion took place about whether a projector/screen should be purchased for the hall if there is money left after the PA system has been bought, or looking into Ward 5 discretionary Fund. Safe storage could be an issue. Ruth explained this sort of equipment goes out of date quickly (we may find someone who is upgrading? and wants to donate/sell) Angie is following up with the High School about potential loan/exchange of equipment and Ruth could follow up with her church for the same.

e) Lets Do Net Zero:

Unspent Money from Grant will be ring fenced for CU Upgrade in future

9)New Business

Trophy Case for wall for permanent secure display of hall trophy's etc

10) A.O.B:

a) Committee Whats App:

Mhairi proposed setting up a Whats App group chat for the committee, all agreed.

b) Hall Information Pack for Committee Members:

Mhairi has researched templates and is preparing a draft that will be sent round for feedback. Please add to it. To include such things as name, address, contact, emergency contact, insurance, orientation of building, constitution update, mission statement, Third Sector membership etc

11) Task List Update

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The meeting closed at 9.07pm

**The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 7.30pm**