



# DORNOCH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

## MINUTES

14TH October 2024

Minutes of meeting of Dornoch & District Community Association (DADCA)  
held at the Dornoch Community Centre (Social Club) on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> June, at 7:30pm

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### MEMBERS OF THE DADCA BOARD:

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Donald Guskirk – Chair – DG

Paddy Murray – Treasurer –  
PM

Kim Tewnion – Secretary – KT

Bill Buchanan - BB  
Bridget Guskirk - BG  
Mike Grist – MG

Jerry Horack - JH  
Jimmy Melville – JM  
Jim McGillivray – JMc

Lucy Moir - LM  
Jaen Rowland - JR

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### PRESENT

Donald Guskirk (Chair), Bill Buchanan, Mike Grist, Bridget Guskirk, Jimmy Melville, Jim McGillivray, Jean Rowland & Peter Rowland

### ABSENT

Paddy Murray (Treasurer), Kim Tewnion (Secretary), Jerry Horack & Lucy Moir

### MINUTES

Lou Rollason

### VISITING

N/A

WELCOME & APOLOGIES		
1.	<p><b>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.</b></p> <p>Apologies were received from:</p> <p>Present: All but Jerry, Kim, Paddy &amp; Lucy who sent apologies.</p>	
MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING		
2.	<p><b>Approval of Minutes – 9<sup>th</sup> September 2024</b></p> <p>Proposed by BG &amp; MG</p>	
VISITORS		
3.		
i.	N/A	
MATTERS ARISING (& THOSE CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING, INCLUDING AOCB)		
4.		
i.	<p><b>Bishopsfield Land</b></p> <p>PM is absent but he had questioned the management accounts for September and when the statutory accounts will be available.</p> <p>LR stated she would send through the most up to date version and that the accountants were still working on the accounts and she would follow up with them.</p>	PM
ii.	<p><b>Calendar of Events</b></p> <p>KT - Has purchased and suggested we set up a calendar of events for DADCA to go to Landmark. KT &amp; LR to put together for 2025 - In progress.</p>	KT & LR
5.	<b>REGULATORY &amp; COMPLIANCE – ATTACHED UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED</b>	
i.	<p><b>Google Drive</b></p> <p>DADCA Policy – Child Protection Statement - Here</p> <p>DADCA Policy – Protection of Children at External DADCA Events – Here</p> <p>DADCA Policy – Recruitment of an Ex-Offender – Here</p> <p>DADCA Policy – Vulnerable People – Here</p> <p>Raised by PM to say: <i>Is it possible to identify any changes from previous versions with reasons for changes? Also my usual question: where do the drafts come from so we can be sure they are in accordance with best practice?</i></p> <p>LR clarified that they were either existing DADCA documentation that had been updated over the years or were created by LR based on templates. Once a year LR sends to VGS in Golspie who countersign them.</p>	LR
FUNDING APPLICATIONS		
6.	<p><b>Grants/Funding Opportunities: N/A</b></p> <p>Community Regeneration Fund (CRF) - Almost live. JMc stated it was worth putting in a bid. The money would be used for the heating upgrades.</p> <p>KT has a grant application that needs countersigned which she has asked DG to do tomorrow.</p>	
MEMBERSHIP		
7.	<b>Membership applications: N/A</b>	
i.	<b>Affiliated Group applications: N/A</b>	

	<b>CURRENT BUILDING</b>	
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Dornoch Community Centre Update:</b> Heating: Dependent on the grant application; funding for 80% of the cost would cover the main hall, with potential for the Struie Room if grants are favourable.</p> <p>AV Cupboard: A gradual work in progress.</p> <p>Hall Re-varnishing: DG spoke to KM about this topic from the last meeting, asking him to prioritise Struie Room blinds, which are still pending. JM noted that re-varnishing isn't urgent, but DG highlighted some marks and scratches. BB reminded that the Cinema Club has surplus funds available if needed, and DG thanked him.</p> <p>Storage: Pool Table move is in progress.</p> <p>Disabled Parking Space: Needs to meet standard dimensions (2.4m wide by 4.8m long). LR and DG will address this.</p>	<p><b>JMc</b></p> <p><b>DG</b></p> <p><b>JMc</b></p> <p><b>DG/LR</b></p>
	<b>FINANCE</b>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Finance Update</b> Finance Update - No new concerns in PM's absence.</p> <p>BB wished to restate the terms and conditions of the DADCA bank accounts and how it works with money regarding who it belongs to (DADCA) etc. DG suggested PM to do this at the next meeting.</p> <p>No word back from the accountants yet - LR to chase.</p>	<b>PM</b>
	<b>CARBOOT SALES</b>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Update</b> JR and PR stated it was a great year. LR to pop the dates in for next year. DADCA members thanked all involved for their continued great work with the event.</p>	<b>JR</b>
	<b>OUTDOOR COMMUNITY MARKET</b>	
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Update</b> Finished for the year</p>	<b>PM</b>
	<b>BOOKINGS/EVENTS</b>	
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>Update on Bookings</b> Bonfire Night. VM has stated (through LM) that volunteers are required. LR reiterated on the behalf that this is not a difficult role and will mainly consist of donning a hiviz and making sure people know where they are going and dealing with traffic (for some). JM &amp; JMc will redo their normal roles - crossroads and the gates.</p>	<b>VM</b>
	<b>SUBCOMMITTEES/VISITORS IN ATTENDANCE</b>	
	<b>AOCB</b>	
<b>13.</b>	<p><b>DADCA Members Comments:</b> DG &amp; BG asked to purchase baking trays as they were put away uncleared. BG has spent hours cleaning.</p> <p>Saturday's booking had not cleaned up the grill to a satisfactory level and the glass on the oven door was greasy. LR asked BG to create a list of levels of cleanliness that she can reiterate this to the users and they know dactyl what is expected.</p> <p>Frost control is on for the ladies' loos and the coffee lounge radiator is set to 2.</p> <p>Left side oven is rubbish according to a caterer so DADCA will look into a new purchase depending on cost.</p>	<b>BG/LR</b>

	JM - Wants to start a scrabble club. Several members were interested and BG & LR recommended a Thursday or Friday afternoon as they were normally free.	<b>JM</b>
	<b>CLOSING</b>	
	<b>The meeting was closed at: 20:15</b>	
<b>THE DADCA AGM WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 11th at 7:30PM IN THE DORNOCH COMMUNITY CENTRE</b>		
<b>Date of Next Meeting will be November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at 8 PM at the Dornoch Community Centre</b>		