



DORNOCH & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MINUTES MONDAY 11TH AUGUST 2025

Minutes of meeting of Dornoch & District Community Association (DADCA)
held at the Dornoch Community Centre (Social Club) on Monday, 11th August, at 7:30pm

MEMBERS OF THE DADCA BOARD:

Donald Goskirk – Chair – DG

Paddy Murray – Treasurer –
PM

Kim Tewnton – Secretary – KT

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

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

Lucy Moir - LM
Jaen Rowland - JR

SPECIAL ADVISOR TO THE BOARD Gerald Holdsworth

MINUTES Lou Rollason

VISITING N/A

WELCOME & APOLOGIES		
1.	The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were received from JMc, LM & BB. DG introduced and welcome Gerald Holdsworth to the Board as a special advisory member.	
MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING		
2.	Approval of Minutes – 14th July 2025	
VISITORS		
3.	Representative from: N/A	
i.		
MATTERS ARISING (& THOSE CARRIED OVER FROM PREVIOUS MEETING, INCLUDING AOCB)		
4.		
i.	Bishopsfield Land: PM updated on the situation.	PM
ii.	Calendar of Events LR showed the board the A4 design, this was approved.	BG & LR
iii.	BID Proposal Crowdfunding Documents attached to email.	DG
iv.	Dornoch Service Point Closure LR gave an update regarding the local petition and state of the matter. DADCA are against the closing of the Dornoch Service Point.	DG
5.	REGULATORY & COMPLIANCE	
i.	Available on Google Drive DADCA Policy – Accident Reporting DADCA Policy – Carboot & Tabletop Sales DADCA Policy – Complaints Procedure DADCA Policy – Conflict of Interest Updated the dates on the policies to show they have been reviewed – LR	LR
FUNDING APPLICATIONS		
6.	Grants/Funding Opportunities: N/A Community Regeneration Fund (CRF) EOI Update: DG had submitted an application. It was suggested to him to roll this over to the next date in November and a discussion followed regarding if this would negatively impact the application – it would not. External units for the heating: DG gave an update and spoke about the feasibility study to potentially be carried out by Shepard Chartered Surveyors – this was agreed.	JMc
MEMBERSHIP		
7.	Membership applications: N/A	
i.	Affiliated Group applications: N/A	

	CURRENT BUILDING	
8.	Dornoch Community Centre Update: Heating/Energy: EDF bill arrived: £ £1488.65 from 5th March to 4th June 2025. AV Cupboard: In progress. Storage: The chairs have been moved into the room and once the pool table has found a new home the rest of the items will be moved. Disabled Parking Space: LR needs to source line paint. Will reach out to the roads department in hopes of them having a stencil. WiFi: LR spoke with Charles Minall regarding the landline and he understands that they are being phased out and has no concern with going digital. LR will speak to Highland Broadband as they are offering discounted rates currently. GH also mentioned that he would likely be able to wire up the new internet so that it reached the Struie Room and was still usable for the other groups directly from the AV cupboard (camera club/cinema club). Vacuum Cleaner – Still out of stock. TV in Struie Room – To be installed at the end of August Lawn & Grounds: A date was set for Saturday 20th at 10am.	
	NEW BUILD: NEW COMMUNITY CENTRE	
9.	New Community Centre: PM updated on the situation. The main take away was between using a larger company based in Edinburgh and a smaller, more local one. The smaller, more local one was decided by the board. This company includes Karen Maclean-Yuille who worked with another local firm and has since gone off separately with her college Kate McKinley. The previous company they worked for had a great track record (as does the Edinburgh based firm) and have both worked with other local groups in the area (notably DACIC) but Maclean-Yuille can start the project now and is likely to be able to allocate more time to it, whilst having a better understanding of the area. PM mentioned discussing with Luke, Chair of DACIC about combining DACIC and DADCA and what this would look like.	PM
	FINANCE	
10.	Finance Update Transfers: LR spoke with Calum from Goldwells who sorted the transfers, LR to make the amendments and submit the accounts.	PM
	CARBOOT SALES	
11.	Update Recent carboot sale: There was a table that cancelled but it was a good day in general. Next month will be the last one.	JR & PR
	OUTDOOR COMMUNITY MARKET	
12.	Update Recent Community Markets: All going swimmingly. Due to tree works on the cathedral green, one has been cancelled.	PM
	BOOKINGS/EVENTS	
13.	Update on Bookings Scrabble Club Update: In progress	JM LR

	Website Update: Admin users have been furnished with their own usernames and passwords to update the websites themselves.	
	AOCB	
14.	DADCA Members Comments: N/A	
	CLOSING	
	The meeting was closed at:	
Date of Next Meeting will be 8th September, 2025, at 7:30 PM at the Dornoch Community Centre (Social Club)		