KENMORE SHOP & POST OFFICE

Things are still in a state of flux but I want to provide you with an update on recent progress.

We have not yet been able to organize a meeting with the owner but persevere on this as most options hinge on his intentions.

We have started to put arrangements in place should a community buyout become a viable option.

We have established that the existing Breadalbane Development Trust (BDT) is empowered to carry this option out and we have done some initial research and sought advice from appropriate bodies.

BDT has agreed to:

* explore the Buy Out option process;
* set up a Working Group to administer the process and consult members;
* arrange a meeting of the group at the earliest opportunity; and
* commence completion of the application and associated documents required.

For this to work we must have evidence of Community interest and support and we need your help to do this by:

a) helping to boost the BDT membership - join the BDA if you haven’t already;

b) if you are a resident, signing up to a list of people supporting the BDT bid;

    (copy of form attached)

c) encourage your neighbours and friends to also sign; and

d) by volunteering some of your time to help with the work.

BDT application form and more details can be found[on the Kenmore & District Community Council website](https://www.kenmore-and-district-cc.org.uk/breadalbane-development-trust)

Should this fail or become undesirable there are other options that are being explored including the use of alternative premises and the provision of pop-up post offices.

However, the community clearly cannot take on a venture that is not financially sustainable and we continue to seek information that provides some clarity on this.

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