**ACHMORE COMMUNITY HALL ASSOCIATION**

**Minutes of meeting Wednesday 11th December 2024 at 8pm**

1.Present; Mhairi MacRae, Ruth Mockett, Ellanne Fraser, Mel Prytz, Patti Heavyside, Jackie Parsons, Sue Waddell.

2.Apologies; Marion Howat

3.Approval of November Minutes; Patti approved the minutes and Mel seconded the minutes.

4.Treasurer’s Report; There is presently £6530.49 in the Hall Bank Account.

5.Booking Report; A wedding has been booked for the weekend of 27th June. The Hall has been booked for the Thursday, Friday and Saturday at a cost of £200.

A booking was made for a party on a Friday/ Saturday weekend of 14th December for a cost of £50.

6. 100 Club; 1st Prize Kate Biss £25

2nd Prize Kenny Martin £15

3rd Prize Angie Gibson £10

7. Correspondence; Planning permission for the ASHP has been received and it should be installed some time in January.

Local wedding booking.

AES have supplied dates for the installation of the panels, electrical works and battery.

Communication from electrician and a member of the community re the changing of the consumer units. The left one has already been changed, and the right one will be changed imminently.

McInnes have been in touch re the installation of the ASHP.

8.Matters Arising;

a) Hall Governance- The open meeting went well regarding the Hall forming a SCIO allowing the committee to move on to the next stage in the process.

b) Hall Maintenance- The new doors have been fitted. There is no update this month regarding the LED lighting and harling. The consumer units will be upgraded by 20th December. This upgrade was recommended by the solar panel installation company AES. The PAT testing has been carried out. Two kettles failed the test and have been removed.

c) Hall equipment- A local joiner will investigate putting shelving in the crockery cupboard at the next repair café. Jackie met with a representative from one of the Hall user groups and it was agreed there might be some storage space available for crockery etc. in one of the storage cupboards in the main hall.Mel may be able to organise a repair to the pool table.

d) Fundraising-Marion will organise a quiz night.One dated suggested for this was 8th February. Mhairi will organise a licence. Mel suggested organising a Film Night at the Hall. Everyone felt this was an excellent idea.

e) Let’s Do Net Zero Community Building Fund- see above.

f) Village Christmas Party- The musicians are unable to attend this year so music will be arranged via blue tooth and a speaker. Santa is organised. Crackers and party poppers need to be bought. Attendees will be asked to bring their own choice of beverage and a plate of food to share. It was agreed that the giving of gifts should return to its pre covid format ie gifts for selected members of the Community only ( during covid and for the years since, everyone in the community has received a small gift . ) Approximately 10 gifts will be given. A hyacinth bulb and card were agreed to be a suitable present. It was decided that The Hall could approach the Community Council and the Pharmacy Book Fund to pay for the gifts. The 23rd of December was agreed as the date for the party, and it will be advertised on the Community Whatsapp page.

g) Task List update-the following tasks were completed-1,7,9,10,11. Number 2 was moved to the Long- Term List. Number 6 has been removed.

9)New Business; 2nd February was suggested as the date for the next Repair Café. Soup and sandwiches can be sold in the café. 15th February was suggested as a date for a function when The Big Field Band will perform.

10.AOCB; Jackie and Mhairi will get together in January to prepare the accounts for the AGM. There will be no Hall Meeting in January. Invoices for Hall Hire need to be sent to the Community Council, Scouts, Fernaig Trust,Tai Chi and for a recent event in the Hall.

The meeting finished at 9.15pm.

**The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 5th February at 7pm.**