Pennyghael Development Association Limited

Annual General Meeting Pennyghael Community Hall Tuesday 30th March 2010

Present: Roger & Sarah Blackwell, Fiona Brown, Nigel Burch, Douglas & Veronica Carslaw, Paul Chauvet, Oliver & Liz Crichton, Joanna Gardner, Joy Hardy, Alan Jordan, Nicholas MacLean, Reg & Sue Morgan, Charles Pease, Kieron Perry, Bryan Rains, John Rodgers, Trevor & Peggy Roche, Gren & Joy Roberts, Jo Rowland, Norman Salkeld, Peter Wathey.

Apologies: Eileen Goll, Alan Gardner, Qamar MacLean, Emma Morgan, Sue Murdoch, Carl Roberts.

Chairman's Statement: It is a year since our meeting with Argyll&Bute Councillors Duncan McIntyre and Mary Jean Devon. They agreed to pursue the Council on our behalf to get compensation fir us to have the asbestos removed and made good. Duncan McIntyre put considerable pressure on the legal and financial departments, and in November we settled for a cash sum of £12,000. Since then considerable progress has been made. The asbestos has been removed and the fascias, gutters, skews and down pipes renewed. The badly rotting large windows have been replaced, leaving the smaller ones to be replaced shortly. The exterior of the building now looks so much better, but unfortunately the interior is still in a forlorn state. This work was carried out using the joint funds of the PDA & PCA, which are now exhausted. As there is still an enormous amount of work to be done to bring the building up to standard, and as grant funding is no longer available, we have launched an appeal for funds from within the community, from local landowners and from holiday home owners. We await responses so that we can move on to the next stage. Other fundraising events are planned.

We are also waiting to hear from Argyll&Bute Employability Team as to when they are going to come and insulate and redecorate the schoolroom. Due to lack of funding, this was put back, but they have now secured new funding.

The transfer of the deed from Mrs Brunton for the room above the schoolroom, is proving to be a very slow complicated process. Argyll&Bute Council are involved, and to date it has not been completed. The PDA wish to thank Councillors Duncan McIntyre and Mary Jean Devon for their efforts on our behalf. We also thank the PCA Committee for their fund raising events.

Minutes of the last AGM: The minutes the previous Annual General Meeting had been circulated with the notice of the meeting; They were proposed as accurate by Joy Roberts, seconded by Bryan Rains.

Matters Arising: None

Financial Report: Paul Chauvet presented the audited accounts to the meeting and felt that they were largely self-explanatory. Sue Morgan proposed that the accounts be accepted, seconded by Peggy Roche.

Appointment of Directors: Sarah Blackwell and Sue Morgan, both originally being co-opted Directors, and Charles Pease, stood down from office but allowed their names to go forward for re-election by the meeting. There were no other nominations. Paul Chauvet, Nicholas MacLean and Peggy Roche respectively proposed that they be returned as Directors, seconded by Nicholas MacLean, John Rodgers and Nicholas MacLean respectively.

It was noted that there is 1 vacancy for a Director.

Any Other Business: Sue Morgan said that the replacement windows look great, but that we need to decide on what the next project should be – wiring?, kitchen?, toilets? heating? It was agreed that the wiring is probably most important, but that it is difficult to plan without there being much money available. Reg Morgan asked how the appeal is going and was told that it had raised £1365 so far. Reg suggested having a thermometer-type display on the notice board to show progress, next to the contributions box. Doug Carslaw asked whether the Employability Team supply materials or just labour – Fiona replied that they will paint everything magnolia for free but that if we want a different colour we shall need to supply the paint. Sue Morgan pointed out that there are still 2 MESS recycling bins round the back of the building after the ones at the front have been removed.

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APOLOGIES - Eileen Goll, Alan Gardner, Qamar MacLean, Emma Morgan, Sue Murdoch, Carl Roberts.

AGM WELCOME

The Chairwoman Joy Roberts formally welcomed everyone to the meeting.

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the last AGM were proposed by Fiona Brown and were seconded by Sue Morgan.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Bryan Rains proposed the accounts be accepted. Jo Rowlands seconded this.

CHAIRMANS STATEMENT

The Chairwoman thanked everyone for their support, outlining the events that were held, but did mention that some of the said events were not well attended. The new system for the Coffee Mornings has worked very well with everyone taking a turn at hosting the event.

MATTER ARISING

Jo Rowlands queried how we go about advertising the hire of the hall and the amount we charge for it. At this present time it is felt by the committee that the hall is not in good enough repair to warrant extensive hire advertising or a higher charge

ELECTION OF OFFICES

The whole committee resigned. Sue Morgan said she would be happy to have the previous committee re-elected. Sue Morgan proposed the re-election and everyone seconded this.

It was then asked if any more people would like to become members of the PCA and most importantly we now need a Secretary. Sarah Blackwell said she would be happy to take up the post of Secretary.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

It was again brought up that the PCA & PDA should merge. The committee can see no reason why this should not happen. The only catch being that each of the committees has its own charity number. The question was put to the vote and the show of hands indicated that everyone was in favour of taking the merger forward. Sarah Blackwell said she would look into the finer points

Peter Wathey congratulated the PCA for the success of the events of the last year. Meeting Closed 8.30pm