

Pennyghael Development Association Limited

Annual General Meeting Pennyghael Community Hall 7.30pm Tuesday 29 March 2011

Present: Roger & Sarah Blackwell, Robert Broers, Fiona Brown, Nigel Burch, Douglas & Veronica Carshaw, Paul Chauvet, Joanna Gardner, Morven Gibson, Joy Hardy, G Hayward, Ron & Sheila Hutchison and friend, Alan Jordan, Emma Morgan, Reg & Sue Morgan, Sue Murdoch, Trevor Owen, Charles Pease, Bryan Rains, Trevor & Peggy Roche, Joy Roberts, Norman Salkeld, Brian Thomas, Wendy Thomas,

Apologies: Jane Chauvet, Eileen Goll, Alan Gardner, Mary McLeod, Carl Roberts.

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

Matters Arising: None

Chairman's Statement: We have had another year of progress.

The purchase of the room above the school room was completed thus consolidating the building.

With the help of the Argyll & Bute Council's Employability Team the interior of the building has been painted and the plaster work repaired. The exterior work which has to be completed by the end of March is nearly finished.

We are very grateful to them as they did far more work for us than was originally planned and I am sure that you all impressed.

Community Links Scotland, who helped in funding the Employability Team, helped us to secure funding from the Big Lottery and Leader funds to enable us to appoint a regeneration consultant and an architect to help us to move on to the next stage.

The posts were advertised and we were amazed at the response we got for both posts. It took the committee a considerable time to go through the applications and invite selected candidates for interview.

The committee have now appointed Paul Harding, from Benjamin Tindall Architects and Community Links Scotland as consultants to assist us in the decision making of where we go from here. It is at this time that we must decide whether we want to remain as we are or if we want to look to the future of Pennyghael. There will be public meetings and presentations to enable the team to obtain, discuss and select the best options which must be sustainable.

The architect will then present plans and have the project costed so that funding for our final phase can be applied for. This must be completed by mid October.

The first of these public meetings is likely to be at the coffee morning on Saturday the 7th of May. We do hope that as many people as possible turn out because the decisions taken at this stage are crucial to the future of the community hall and its grounds.

If you are unable to attend the public meetings your ideas or concerns, which are vital to the success of this project, may be passed on to any member of the committee or posted into the post box at the hall door.

As part of our feasibility study, Jane Chauvet is going to open a café in the hall on

Tuesday –Wednesday – Thursday each week between 11am & 4pm. This will commence on the 12th of April and will be reviewed at the beginning of July.

Our own fundraising activities such as curry nights, coffee mornings etc. have continued successfully. The film premier screening of 'Blooded' was a great success. As was the garden party hosted by Peggy and Trevor Roche.

We thank all involved in the running of these events.

Financial Report: The full financial report was available at the meeting for any member to read, and a 2-page extract was provided for everyone present. Emma Morgan asked for clarification of the establishment cost figure of £15,758 – this includes the cost of removal of asbestos, which was paid for very early in this financial year, after we received the money granted by Argyll & Bute Council at the end of the previous financial year. The fact that the tangible assets have fallen from £87503 in 2009 to £86601 was also queried

– this is because depreciation of the value of the building/land has been assumed.

Special Resolution: That permission be sought from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator to change the name of the Pennyghael Development Association Ltd to the Pennyghael Community Development Association Ltd. The resolution was carried unanimously with all 27 eligible members present and 2 proxy votes in favour.

Appointment of Directors: Roger Blackwell and Paul Chauvet stood down as required by our Articles, and their reappointments were proposed by Joy Roberts seconded by Reg Morgan. Emma Morgan's appointment was proposed by Sue Morgan, seconded by Joy Roberts. Sue Murdoch was proposed, but declined to be appointed at this time. It is noted that there is still 1 position for a director available.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8-00pm

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Matters Arising: None

Chairman's Statement: Thank you all for your support during the year. We had a very good Curry night, though the Italian night was disappointingly poorly attended. The Summer Barbeque and the Christmas Fayre were also very successful, as was the Garden Party. On a sad note, Julia Killeen passed away last year; there is to be a memorial service at Inniemore on 21 May.

Financial Report: The verified balance sheet was provided for everyone at the meeting. It was noted that the relaunched coffee mornings had been very successful. Joanna Gardner queried the item of income '6months' sign hire' and Joy Hardy (Treasurer) explained that this refers to the payment by Carol and Peter Wathey for use of the Hall's sandwich board.

Special Resolution: That permission be sought from the Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator to dissolve the Pennyghael Community Association and transfer its assets to Pennyghael Community Development Ltd. The resolution was carried unanimously with all 27 persons voting, in favour.

Any Other Business: Reg Morgan expressed the community's sadness at the imminent closure of the Kinloch Hotel and let it be known that there is a plan afoot to organize a community buy-out – Sue Murdoch asked if this was going to appear in Round&About and Sue Morgan said that it would. Ideas for future events were requested, and Brian Thomas suggested trying to get the Tobermory Film Club and Mendellson on Mull to come, and also raised the possibility of relaunching the annual Art Exhibition. He explained that when Norman Salkeld retired, he had not been able to continue the art exhibitions because of the difficulty of finding invigilators. Peggy Roche asked for assistance with the May coffee morning since it will likely be busy as Community Links Scotland will be there to talk about the Hall regeneration plan, and was assured of help.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.25.

**Meeting of Pennyghael Development Association Limited Directors
Pennyghael Community Hall
8.45pm Tuesday 29 March 2011**

The sole purpose of the meeting was to appoint office-bearers.

The outgoing Secretary took the Chair temporarily of election of officers and having asked if she was willing to serve, proposed Fiona for Chair, seconded by Paul. Sarah was proposed as Secretary by Sue, seconded by Roger. Emma declared her willingness to serve as Treasurer, and it was decided that she and Paul will fulfill the role jointly until the amalgamation, proposed by Sarah, seconded by Charles.

Any other business: Sue requested that the Chair be more open in her decision-making, and Charles requested more communication among us, while commending the Chair sincerely for all that she has achieved. Fiona complained that e-mails to all of us and often not responded to. She offered to stand down but was persuaded to remain – we need to try and pull together to take advantage of the tremendous opportunity we have to do something to improve the future for the building and for the community.

The Employability Team have finished today – hence the wet paint on the handrail by the front door! – and Roger will acknowledge them again on the website. Alastair Barr is supposed to be coming tomorrow to assess the window with the condensation in.

Future Events: We'll need to advertise CommLinks involvement at the May coffee morning – Sarah to organize. BBQ suggested for last Friday in May – Sarah to find out if this clashes with anything important. Joy suggested a dance, but there are possible difficulties around an entertainment licence – which would probably not apply to a ceildh.

The meeting closed at 9.15pm.