

# Archiestown Village Council

Scottish Registered Charity. Number SC001696



## Executive Committee Meeting

September 4th, 2018

### Minutes

- 1. Attendees:** Sheena Ledingham (Chair), Jim Hart, Isobel Hendry, Angus Holmes, Sarah Holmes, Eilidh O'Loughlan

**Guests:** Glen “ “ and Sharon Gibson, Macallan Distillers

There followed a very positive discussion with the Macallan representatives in which Sheena outlined the AVC assets, responsibilities, activities and plans and they in turn offered apologies for the disruption caused by the recent distillery bottling sale and went on to outline a new approach which would hopefully develop into a new long-term relationship with our local communities.

Globally, Macallan invest heavily into local communities, but have realised that this effort is not mirrored in Speyside where the product is distilled.

AVC offered some suggestions in which Macallan could offer tangible support and they have agreed to come back in about 3-4 weeks with some proposals and a new pro-active style of working together as part of the community.

- 2. Apologies:** Lynda McLean, Robbie Walker, Councillors Derek Ross & Louise Laing

- 3. Approval of Previous Minutes (14/08/18):** Proposed, Angus Seconded, Eilidh

### **4. Matters Arising**

Kitchen & Toilet Upgrade	NRG have been contacted and details handed over and response expected.  It was noted that we have a variety of full and partial quotation responses and it was felt that in the near future we should take the chance to finalise a decision, in order to estimate the amount needed from external funders.  It was agreed to retain £5,000 in our account as an operating reserve.	Sheena/Sarah
Xmas Lights	Mathew Charlesworth will advise when he is able to inspect our village lights.	Sheena

### **5. Projects A. Feedback**

Playingfield Container	This has now been installed and “looking good”. Some uncertainty about what has been moved and what has yet to be moved into it.  2 external iron benches have been removed	Robbie
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## 5. Projects B. Operational/strategic

BBQ – Pub Night Sept 8th	Food frozen from the fete will be used for BBQ. Few ancillary purchases necessary. (Lynda & Hamish) – from 4.30 Bar is adequately stocked (Angus & Jim) – from 5pm Games to be provided by Eilidh Publication in N Scot (Friday)	Lynda Angus/Jim Eilidh Sheena
MFCHA Sept 23rd	Layout attachment to be sent to Sheena Jim to arrange tables/chairs A mix of sandwiches/pizza/home bakes will be prepared Tea/coffee/soft drinks Sheena to provide introductory talk about the hall Jim will confirm whether the meeting is open to public	Jim Jim All  Isobel/Sheena/Sarah Sheena Jim
AGM Oct 30th	Julie has been contacted re. Independent Examiners report Jim will prepare the necessary public notifications	Sarah  Jim
Winter Fayre Dec 1st	Eilidh will convene a meeting on Sept 11 <sup>th</sup> Fayre to run 2-4 pm ~4.30 - 5.00 Mulled Wine/Mince Pies/Singing Lights on ~5pm Bar open from 5pm There will be a raffle	Eilidh  Sheena Jim All
Seniors Lunch Dec 9th	Detailed discussion deferred	All
Children's party Dec 23rd	Detailed discussion deferred	All
"Chris Grant"	Sarah will try to book this act for around Valentine's Day 2019 Suggested limited bar and £10 per ticket	Sarah
Village Fete 2019	Discussion deferred until after Christmas break.	All

## 5. Projects C. Activities - Ongoing

Heating system & RHI	Process still frustrating Now have access to website E-mail received requiring new letter of accreditation New pellets will be ordered	Sheena
Website	Tim to sign over domain rights to Sarah	Sarah

## 6.Treasurer's Report

Financial Position and Forecast	Current balance approx. £13,000 excluding overdue RHI income payments.	Sarah
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## 7. Correspondence:

Routine correspondence has been circulated to AVC electronically

**8. AOB**

Cups	A number of cups were broken recently, but we have ~100 of each type of crockery, which was thought to be adequate	
Amazon Smile	Sarah to set up account for AVC	Sarah
Moray Fire (MF)	Invoice received. Inquiry by Sarah to MF regarding access to the hall and absence of any committee member to verify work that was undertaken. Awaiting response	Sarah
Speyside Community Council and Area Forum	It was felt appropriate that AVC members (other than Jim) attend either/both of these regional meetings to gauge their value to AVC	All
Toddlers	A baby's changing unit has become available and will be located in the ladies' toilet area.	Sheena
Archiestown Hotel	Sheena and Isobel will arrange a date when to present the gift of a picture of Craigellachie Bridge to Alan and Jane	Sheena/Isobel
Flicks in the Sticks	Eilidh will explore options to host "Flicks in the Sticks" at the hall.	Eilidh
Funding	Angus is exploring options to secure £1,000	Angus

**Next Meeting will be on Tuesday, Sept 25th, 2018 at 19.00**