

Notes of Achnamara Village Hall meeting

7 November 2019

Attending:

Anne/ Neil/ Janet/ Martin/ Alka/ Colette/ Graham/ Kate/ Tim/ Margaret/ Liz/ Kerrie/ Ailsa

Apologies

Terry/ John/ Tanya/ Louise/ Catherine/ Andy

1. All confirmed positive feedback from the community meeting re the forestry acquisition. Everyone is to speak to their neighbours/ friends to check general approval with proceeding or where people disagree with the plans, to try and find out why?
2. John Jackson has been looking into the village septic tank arrangements and whether a joint approach in the village to emptying and repairs could be put in place. The Village Hall Committee agreed to provide the bank account facility if such a scheme were put in place.
3. John has also been in touch with the Fire Brigade re acquiring fire hoses and local training. The Village Hall Committee agreed to cover the costs of the hoses (subject to understanding what the costs are) and storing them for use by anyone in the village. John to provide details
4. Hall Fire Alarm – some units have been going off. It was agreed to replace all units in the Hall.
5. Outstanding maintenance – the majority of the identified works had been completed but there is still outside work to complete. It was agreed that a Spring maintenance weekend would be held to hopefully pick up all the outstanding items. Thanks to everyone who has helped with the work and contributed materials and time. We have received lots of good feedback as to how well the Hall is looking.
6. Neil Soudan offered to undertake more First Aid training. We discussed this being after Café Connect on a Saturday and then possibly repeated before table tennis on a Monday. Ailsa/ Neil to liaise with Louise to see what dates might suit.
7. Traffic signs – these have been made and will be erected the coming weekend. Kate/ Graham to ask the Councillors at the Community Council to chase up James Ross re the electronic signs.
8. Graham and Kate have handed over their comms/ maintenance and finance work to others on the Committee.
9. Election – hall hire costs to cover 24 hours of heating. Kate to discuss with Tanya.
10. Upcoming events were discussed. These are covered on the What's On. Lots happening
11. Tim and Martin are arranging to see SSE re grid connections re the community hydro and will report back.

It was agreed to meet again in January. Dates to be circulated in due course