

TWEEDSMUIR VILLAGE HALL

Tweedsmuir, Biggar, South Lanarkshire, ML12 6QN

Member of the Peeblesshire federation of village halls - Scottish charity SCO 01019

Tweedsmuir Village Hall EGM

Monday 11th November 2019 5.30pm

Present : L. Mason (chair), C. Parker (treas), L. Kirkwood (resilient communities rep). V. White, D. Roper, G. Parker, F. Leckie

Apologies : A. Mason, M. Wood

1. Appoint Secretary

Frances Leckie was appointed as secretary

2. Appoint new trustees

All our trustees have now moved out of the area, and we need to appoint new ones.

Nominations have been received for Lesley Kirkwood, Andrew Mason and Gavin Parker.

It was agreed that notice of the next EGM to appoint new trustees would be posted on the Tweedsmuir Community Council Webside and Tweedsmuir Facebook Page. Any further nominations would also be welcome.

A quorum of 15 members (Tweedsmuir residents) is required to vote in the New Trustees. Proxy votes will also be accepted and sent to Frances prior to the meeting.

3. Amendment to the Deed of Trust

Amendment to point 10 (b)

Currently reads: *Quorum*, One-third of the members shall form a quorum at Committee meetings. Fifteen members shall form a quorum at Annual General meetings.

Suggested Amendment: *Quorum* The quorum for committee meetings and Annual General Meetings will be 5 members.

This amendment to the constitution will be advertised as in point 2 – and again proxy votes will be accepted in relation to this.

4. New Committee Members

There is space on the committee for a couple of new people, this will be publicised.

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5. The committee has been successful in securing grants from both windfarms to extend the car park, and to get mains water to the hall.

Additional quotes are still required for the work.

Scottish Water questionnaire has been completed

Doug can look into the final water connection

The lawyers can complete the paperwork once we have new trustees

Trustees will need to present at Blackwood and Smith

Ralph needs to agree the final plan

Doug will remove the trees

Approach Treesurve for some new, pretty trees.

Funds are being ringfenced for solicitors' fees and fencing.

6. Charitable status

Once we are connected to mains water we will be liable for water rates, which would be £0 if we were a charity. Frances agrees to look into what was involved in us applying for charitable status.

7. Sound System

Andrew Mason has had quotes for a sound system for the hall. This will be pursued in the new year.

8. Insulation

Lesley Kirkwood is pursuing advice from the Energy Works advice center in Peebles. Hopefully this will allow us to improve the insulation within the hall.

9. Hot water

Once we have mains water we will purchase individual water heaters for all 3 toilets

10. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be an **EGM held at 7.00 on Thursday 5th December in Tweedsmuir Village Hall.**

Any committee members unable to attend please send your vote to Frances in relation to point 2 and 3 above. Frances@independentliving.co.uk