

Minutes of a meeting of Seil Community Hall Charity held at the Hall on 7th May, 2007

Present: Mary Sandilands, Ian McColl, Irene Breslin, Sheila Mitchell, Jan Whitehead, Ken Jones, Seamus Anderson, Graham Campbell, Brian Mitchell George Hannah and Iain Fullarton

Apologies: Mike Shaw, Ann Cunningham, Mary Norris and John Gordon

Minutes of previous meeting approved:

Proposed Sheila Mitchell and seconded Seamus Anderson

Matters Arising:

A sub committee meeting will be arranged soon to review Hall Tariffs

Action on updating the Website has not yet happened.

The Council advise that they do not supply advice about a Permanent Alcohol licence. They say the Hall should consult a lawyer. Hall will ask Benderloch Village Hall for advice.

Finance:

In John Gordon's absence Brian Mitchell distributed the cash book statement of affairs since last meeting.

Development Account £155,987.72

Running Account 3,234.06

In the Development Account the building contractor was paid £26,141.15

The main movement in the Running account was receipt of monthly lottery subscriptions amounting to £2,136.00.

Lottery:

£100 Rollover – Anna Davidson

£10 – Jill Cadzow

£10 - Kathleen Gordon

£10 – Kim Rowswell

Hall Bookings:

Scottish Parliament/ Council elections – May 3rd

May 20 - Duachy Garden opening (Hall tables, chairs, crockery)

May 24 – Community Council AGM and meeting

June 19 – am Easdale School

June 20 - all day Easdale School

June 25 - School Sports Day

New Hall Project:

Brian Mitchell submitted report to meeting in the absence of Mike Shaw.

- ?? A meeting was held with contractor on 27th April.
- ?? Electricity now on separate meter
- ?? No further increases in cost
- ?? Structural engineer has finished his work

Development meeting at Kilbrandon House saw a video from one of the suppliers of moveable stages. It can be erected by one person. The size is one metre square and heights are variable. The product seen cost around £5K. Tarbert Academy have one. It comes in a basic pack with extras. All of the kit will stack on a trolley. Hall will need to obtain three quotes to qualify for grant funding.

There has been a meeting with Ronnie Neil, the architect at his office.

- Q. Does TSL have no interest in salvage and can Hall save timbers?
- A. TSL have not told architect. He will write to them.

- Q. What will happen when Hall is knocked down down?
- A. Trucks will remove debris to landfill site right away.

Development Committee tackled Ronnie Neil about their wish to retain the good slate and perhaps use it to build a boundary wall between road and Hall. Is it worth it – have to dress it and remove dross? Hall will have to take advice and architect will discuss with contractor.

The subject of finishing the car park was made at the meeting. The building contract is only for flattening because of cost. The estimate from TSL to gravel the car park was £6K. Mike Shaw will talk to local contractors in an effort to obtain a lower price.

- ?? Protect septic tank and treatment tank – Hall will have to fence off once site is handed over
- ?? Main Hall electrics – switch for wall heaters to be at eye level – legality queried by George Hannah
- ?? Storage heaters in committee room to be made as simple as possible and tamper proof. Heating will be Total Control.
- ?? Main hall has been so wired that storage heaters may be installed if so desired in future
- ?? It is proposed that rafters are wired up so that if fans needed there is power up there
- ?? In the kitchen it is proposed to move refrigerator from behind door to the right hand side of hatch opposite door.
- ?? In the kitchen it is proposed to replace the double unit at the side of the hatch with a single unit
- ?? For use when the kitchen is doubling as a bar it is proposed that another little basin beside the sink be installed for hygiene purposes
- ?? Security lights have yet to be supplied to the electrician

- ?? Hot Water system includes two heavily lagged tanks. The ON/OFF switch will only be at main board. So that hot water for kitchen and toilets may be left on all the time.
- ?? Velux windows – to open and close windows and blinds is controlled by panel in Hall. It is proposed to protect panel and if possible enclose
- ?? Graham Campbell proposed and meeting agreed that some form of piped in urn to be fitted
- ?? Telephone socket to be put in foyer. Ken Jones suggested a socket in committee room for computer
- ?? Easy care carpets to be a practical colour
- ?? Door mats to be placed at vestibule door
- ?? Lighting in Main Hall. It is considered fluorescent lighting too harsh, no dimming. Looking for some form of subdued lighting.
- ?? No power sockets along one of the end walls at moment. Contractor will install
- ?? Lighting socket in storage space (water tank). Seumas Anderson proposed one be installed above the stack.
- ?? Electrics in kitchen cooker and above door heater will be metered.
- ?? TSL are on schedule and Main Hall is now water tight
- ?? Ken Jones and Graham Campbell advised that Seil Games tent poles cannot access Store. Propose hatchway cut in end wall before rendering goes on. Measurements to be taken.

Proposed PA System

Graham Hendry, the contractor, proposes attaching fixings to the steel frame in front of the stage area so that it can support a suspended bar (like a scaffolding tube) that is hard wired with plugs and sockets. This would take speakers, lights etc. There could be an issue with the Badminton depending on the layout of the court but it would be readily removable. It would connect to sockets on the wall/ceiling and the concealed cables would run down to another socket in the corner to the left of the stage area. He also proposes running a concealed multi-core cable from the same area left of the stage to somewhere near the chair store. This could be used to control light/sound for concerts, drama etc. There will be no charge for the cable. He can arrange a substantial discount on any equipment we purchase at a later date.

Seamus Anderson asked whether there is provision for a system in Small Hall? This will be investigated.

- ?? Induction loop in Main Hall yet to be confirmed. It was proposed that for the Small Hall a system with a microphone might be sufficient.

Financial Report on Project

Brian Mitchell reports that £517K is the current cost of the Hall.

However, if building cost rises the professional fees which are a percentage of total cost also rise.

It is estimated that £332K still required to be paid out and Hall will have £335K to meet that.

However, there will be retention of a small percentage of the cost, payable to the builder after a year once snagging etc has been sorted.

George Hannah submitted that in order to reduce professional fees such things as carpets and kitchen units should be dealt with by the Hall Committee separately.

NEW HALL FUNDRAISING:

An Cala, Sunday, 27 May, 2007

- ?? Gate – Catherine Shaw
- ?? Car Boot – Advertising in OT, Oban FM, Seilachan etc – Jan Whitehead
- ?? Posters and distribution – George Hannah and Brian Mitchell
- ?? Car Boot money – Brian Mitchell will collect
- ?? Wheel of Fortune – Seamus Anderson and Brian Mitchell
- ?? Splaat the Rat – John Gordon
- ?? Kid’s card game – Graham Campbell
- ?? Teas inside the Hall – SWRI (3) – kitchen Alison Smith, Sue Moss and Helen Begley. Two ladies for baking and Brian Mitchell will organise some folk to do baking
- ?? Mary Norris has volunteered Brownies, Cubs to help
- ?? Set up the Hall on Sunday morning around 11am – 13 tables to be erected
- ?? The holes in ground in car parking area need to be fenced off or recycling bins strategically placed around.

Any Other Business:

Ken Jones announced that the Seil Games committee have decided there will be no Games this year. The question is whether the Hall should continue with the Games Dance. It was decided not have a Games Dance.

There will be a Farewell to the Hall Dance in September. Seamus Anderson and Graham Campbell suggested it could be on the Friday before the Easdale Stone Skimming Championships in September.

Date of Next Meeting:

Monday, 4th June at 1900 hours