

## Dirleton Village Association

### Minute of Meeting of 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2022

The meeting was held at the Kirk Hall.

**Present: D. Tait (Chairman), C. Hamer; J. Macleod; F. McClintock; S. Paterson Brown; B. Ford; T. Drysdale**

**Apologies: B. Thomson**

#### 1. Matters Arising

- **JM** to get Mailchimp access from **DC**
- **OSCR** compliance paperwork signed by **SPB** and **FMc**, previously signed and returned to **DT** by other committee members.

#### 2. Charitable Status

Open discussion of pros and cons – **FMc** suggested the DVA should be dissolved.

#### 3. Recruitment

Community's Day to be used as an opportunity to recruit committee members.

Resurrect the action of inviting new residents to meetings. **DT** has an application form, letter from the chair and a map to be circulated.

**TD** requested the number of new and old members.

#### 4. Scotland's Garden's Open Day

Saturday attendance was a little disappointing due to weather but Sunday was well attended by 600-700 people. A total of £5,726.67 was raised of which 20% (£1,145.34) was donated to the DVA, to be paid 27<sup>th</sup> June. 40% to RNLI and 40% to Queens Nursing Inst., Maggies and Perennial. Thanks to **Tom and Carol Drysdale** for organising.

#### 5. Castle Closure

**Carol Tweedy** and **Neil Jones** are actively canvassing interest in the closure of 40 out of 60 Scottish Castles. Needs to be targeted at government level and press. Fliers to be distributed at the Fete & Games from the Gullane & Dirleton Historical Society stand.

#### 6. Fete & Games

1 -5pm Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June. DVA could join Historical Society at their stand or **FMc** at main F&G table for recruitment. **DT** to issue **FMc** with DVA application forms.

#### 7. Community's / Village Discussion Day

1 - 4pm 27<sup>th</sup> August. **JM** confirmed that DGN will provide refreshments in turn for donations. **DC** to provide spreadsheets of projects originally put forward.

#### 8. Bowling Club

The village has no youth club but the bowling club may be able to offer a more social element.

## 9. AOCB

SEPA are looking into a fuel/oil pollution incident on the Eel Burn.

Voluntary Centre East Lothian have been invited to attend the next meeting to discuss pros and cons of charitable status through OSCR, Incorporated Groups and Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO).

## 10. Date and time of next meeting-

7.30pm 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 at the Kirk Hall

Committee meeting 18<sup>th</sup> August 2022 dealing with accounts only in advance of BT handover to new treasurer!!

## ACTIONS

- a) **DC** to liaise with Doug Haig regarding renewal of finger posts.
- b) **DC** to liaise with ELC planning enforcement regarding the blue tourism board.
- c) **SPB** to update committee on liaison with HES and need for support letter from DVA.
- d) **TD** to liaise with **DS** and update DVA committee on planning enforcement for the equestrian stable block.
- e) **DT** to check when Zoom subscription is due for renewal.
- e) **CH** to liaise with **MH** to get website administration access.
- f) **DT** to confirm committee e-mail addresses.
- g) **CH** to review DC's overview of the actions completed, ongoing or not prioritised from the previous Community's Day.
- h) **DC** to check for potential ash die back on tree opposite Amalfi
- i) **JM** to inform Hilary Smith that she is to take over from **DC** as DVA representative
- j) **DT** has an application form, letter from the chair and a map to be circulated.