

**MINUTES OF GALA & EVENTS COMMITTEE,
FOCHABERS VILLAGE ASSOCIATION**

Charity No: SC044569

WEDNESDAY 3rd OCTOBER 2018

8:00 pm INSTITUTE, FOCHABERS

CHAIRMAN: Elizabeth Rennie

PRESENT: Iain Rennie; Sybil Stuart; Audrey MacAuley; Helen Morrison; Ian Clavey; Jane Williams; Caroline Leslie; Elspeth Fordyce; Pat Jenkins; Donald Cameron; Lorna Whelan; Chris Overing; Emma Jenkins; Sam Noble

APOLOGIES: Gordon Christie; George McIntyre; Janet Philpott: Alison Clavey

SUBJECT	DETAILS	ACTION
Welcome	Liz welcomed everyone to the meeting. Special mention was made of Lady Sally Gordon-Lennox who had passed away and our sympathies are with the family.	
Minutes	Minutes from 15 th August 2018 were approved by Helen Morrison and seconded by Pat Jenkins	
Matters Arising	1) Remove any mention of money from the previous minutes regarding Bring a Party to a Party 2) Remove Donald Cameron's name from the contact for advertising material.	SS SS
Correspondence	1) E-mail received from Alison Clavey giving her apologies and a) asking permission to have a hamper for a raffle to be drawn at Christmas Fare. This was agreed and will be in the Chemist. Committee members were asked for donations for the hamper. b) to let the committee know that the drama group were willing to do something on the afternoon of the Christmas opening c) and that the Primary School Parents Council would like to do the same as last year on the Saturday afternoon. The last two points were addressed later in the meeting. 2) E-mail received from Abby Cant requesting permission to run a fundraiser towards her World Challenge. This was addressed later in the meeting. 3) Liz has had correspondence from Stewart Harris following an e-mail received from Alison, regarding advertising. There is a clause on the booking form which asks if the event being booked can be advertised. Liz reminded the Committee that there was a lot of work done in the background and that everyone gave their time freely.	All

<p>Grant Applications</p>	<p>Discussion regarding the grant applicants took place and the following grants were decided:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="451 205 1287 1037"> <tr><td>Fochabers Fire Station</td><td>£250.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Gordon Chapel</td><td>£250.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Rainbows</td><td>£110.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Milnes High School</td><td>£100.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers in Bloom</td><td>£400.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Friends of Bellie</td><td>£100.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Drama Group</td><td>£360.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Autumn Club</td><td>£250.00</td></tr> <tr><td>P7 Enterprise Fund</td><td>£100.00</td></tr> <tr><td>2nd Fochabers Brownies</td><td>£210.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Active Schools Milnes ASG</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> <tr><td>St Mary's Chapel</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Heritage</td><td>£275.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Bellie Church Hall Kitchen</td><td>£250.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Men's Sheds</td><td>£252.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers & District SWI</td><td>£100.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Village Association</td><td>£1500.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Playing Fields</td><td>£1000.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Fochabers Public Hall Ltd</td><td>£700.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Spey Valley Tractor Club</td><td>£100.00</td></tr> <tr><td>Bellie & Speymouth Parish Church</td><td>£200.00</td></tr> </table> <p>Invitation letters to be sent out asking representatives to attend the meeting on 14th November 2018 to receive the grant cheques</p>	Fochabers Fire Station	£250.00	Gordon Chapel	£250.00	Fochabers Rainbows	£110.00	Milnes High School	£100.00	Fochabers in Bloom	£400.00	Friends of Bellie	£100.00	Fochabers Drama Group	£360.00	Fochabers Autumn Club	£250.00	P7 Enterprise Fund	£100.00	2 nd Fochabers Brownies	£210.00	Active Schools Milnes ASG	£200.00	St Mary's Chapel	£200.00	Fochabers Heritage	£275.00	Bellie Church Hall Kitchen	£250.00	Fochabers Men's Sheds	£252.00	Fochabers & District SWI	£100.00	Fochabers Village Association	£1500.00	Fochabers Playing Fields	£1000.00	Fochabers Public Hall Ltd	£700.00	Spey Valley Tractor Club	£100.00	Bellie & Speymouth Parish Church	£200.00	
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<p>Christmas Lights Switch on.</p>	<p>The Christmas lights will be switched on on Saturday 1st December, which is also Small Business Saturday. The lights will be erected in the morning of 25th November. As there was no response to enquiries regarding new lights, this has been deferred to next year. Five people will be required for the switch on.</p> <p>Following discussion about requests to do fundraising, it was decided that Abby Cant be allowed to do teas, coffees, hot chocolate and mince pies and that the Milnes Primary Parent Council be allowed to do hot soup and craft stall.</p> <p>Jane Williams expressed concern that this could affect the shop trade as we were also promoting small business Saturday. However as the switch on was only for an hour and a half it shouldn't affect the normal business.</p> <p>The Community Theatre will be doing an item to promote their upcoming Pantomime.</p> <p>Sybil Stuart to contact Take Note to see if the children would sing.</p> <p>Pat Jenkins to contact the Fire Service to see if they would be available for Santa.</p>	<p>SS</p> <p>SS</p> <p>PJ</p>																																										

	Jane Williams to do Posters to advertise the event and also to look at banners which can be put up at the ends of the village. No date is to be put on the banners so that they can be used every year.	JW
AOCB	Concern was raised by Marjorie Adam concerning the unkempt state of the Intake and the Plaque there. The area was overgrown and finding the path was difficult. This area was previously cared for by a group of village volunteers but hadn't been tidied for some time. If anyone knows of someone who would be prepared to take this on can you let us know.	ALL
Future events	<p>1st December 2018 – Switch on of Christmas Lights which will be put up the week before. We are waiting a quote from the lighting people for new lights for the Square and Church</p> <p>8th December 2018 Bring a Party to a Party. 102 Bookings with deposits have been received, with a notice going in the Northern Scot letting people know that there were only a few tickets remaining.</p> <p>Events other than Village Association organised: 11th November 2018 – Commemoration for end of World War I. The hall is to be lit red from 24th October to 11th November 2018. Evening will consist of a bell being rung in the Square, walk from the Square to the Hall following a piper. Entertainment in the hall will consist of stories and music from WW1.</p> <p>14th 15th December 2018 – Pantomime by Fochabers Community Theatre – Dick Whittington.</p>	
Future Dates	<p>Meetings 14th November 2018 16th January 2019 – Joint AGM</p>	
Date of Next Meeting	<p>There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.30 pm The next meeting is Wednesday 14th November 2018</p> <p>Future meetings to be advertised in the Northern Scott. E-mail to newsdesk@northernscot.co.uk by Tuesday of the week prior to the meeting.</p>	ALL