

Johnstonebridge Centre & Community Development Trust Ltd

Annual General Meeting 2022

Minutes

Date:	18 th May 2022
Time:	1800 hrs
Place:	Johnstonebridge Community Centre, Johnstonebridge.

Attendees:	Lord David Johnstone (Chairman) Lady Julia Barnard, John Graham, George Muirhead, Russ Watson, Billy Lockhart (Board members) Community Members: Wendy Telford, Kirsty Sloan, Roy McKernan, Alison Murray, Noel Howson, Marion Bell, Katie Nairn , Russ Watson , Sally Graham, Katie Nairn (Consultant), Helen Thornton (Admin)
Apologies:	Lura Notman

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1	Chairperson Welcome and Introduction David Johnstone welcomed everyone and thanked attendance, commenting on how the meeting is much better in person rather than last year's zoom meeting.
2	Apologies Apologies were made on behalf of Luara Notman. Helen Thornton had been appointed as her proxy.
3	Minutes of the Previous AGM May 2020 The minutes from the 2020 AGM were read out by LDJ and approved. Proposed: George Muirhead Seconded: John Graham
4	Outstanding Matters from the Previous Minutes The outstanding question on volunteer's insurance; It was confirmed that the volunteers are insured for being in the hall and using the mower.
5	Correspondence: An apology letter was read out from a parent in the village relating to a fire that was started outside the hall earlier on in the year. It was well-received.
6	Chairperson's Report by Lord David Johnstone: The idea of exploring community housing project is still ongoing with many challenges. The pandemic and rising costs have made the budget out of date. Planning has been approved and the next step would be a building warrant. There is an opportunity to explore working with DGHP as an option however it is set to be a slow project. Selling off the plots for self builds is an option that could be explored. Staff changes were noted and a thank you given to Carmen Bartsch-Johnston for all her hard work at the centre while she was administrator. Helen Thornton took over the role in November. Events that have run since restrictions lifting- Christmas lunch event went well despite it being close to social changes, Lunch Club is back up and running, an Easter fun day was held with good attendance and

	also a first aid course. Primary school use the hall for breakfast club and continue to use the hall for PE twice a week. Bingo, Dance, Dog Training Classes, Youth club and now Junior Youth Club also make a regular appearance, a big thank you to Russ Watson for running the club's. Jubilee beacon of light event is set to be held on the 2nd of June from 5 pm- 11 pm and the Johnstonebridge show is set to return in August. Challenges going forward for the centre is the Lottery funding that has come to an end and getting the hall to a sustainable position. A community council is needed but it feels as though there is no drive in the community Billy mentioned adding this to a newsletter and speak with Steven Thompson to see if he had any thoughts. A new website for the centre is underway and will benefit the hall greatly. Other projects the trust has taken on board are improving the wood walk in front of the school down to the river. Looking at the possibility of Christmas lights for the village, installing lighting to the MUGA for the winter months and getting a community defibrillator installed. A thank you was extended to John and George for their continued daily support to run the hall.									
7	Treasurers Report As per the Financial Statement (audited accounts) which will be available on the website, the majority of activity is still in the running costs of the hall. The formal format for processing invoices and payments is in place using Sage Accounting as per the previous financial year and the audited accounts will be available on the website in due course. <table><tr><td>Bank Stands as at</td><td>31st July 2021</td><td>30th April 2022</td></tr><tr><td>Revenue -</td><td>£ 11,008.79</td><td>£ 29,466.00</td></tr><tr><td>Main -</td><td>£ 136,004.15</td><td>£ 135,936.65</td></tr></table> As of September 2020, Lottery funding is no longer provided to the centre, but our reserves will keep us sustained for some time for general costs. We aim to be self-sufficient and continue to market the centre as best we can. A Grant has been issued to the centre to be used for "community recovery after Covid" designated with the purposes of getting groups and the community back together once again. Other large grants have been applied for and approved - Grant to pay for a defibrillator in the village and a Grant for the new website to help give the centre a better online presence. Various funding streams are available to community members for projects that benefit the community. Anybody interested in discussing this further should speak to Helen. Our thanks go to all grant funders, for their continued support to allow this Community to further evolve. The audited annual accounts are accepted by the Board as presented and discussed. (To be accessed on the website in due course). Moved: David Johnstone Seconded: The Board Directors	Bank Stands as at	31st July 2021	30th April 2022	Revenue -	£ 11,008.79	£ 29,466.00	Main -	£ 136,004.15	£ 135,936.65
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8	Election of Officers: Lord David stepped down as Chair but agreed to continue to chair the meeting until the end. The role of Chair for the forthcoming year would be appointed at the next Board Meeting.									

	George Muirhead stepped down from the Board and was re-elected. Moved: Russ Watson Seconded: Lady Julia Barnard. John Graham stepped down from the Board and was re-elected Moved: Billy Lockhart Second: Lady Julia Barnard Wendy Telford had been proposed as a Board Member as per the guidance for the AGM. Wendy was unanimously approved as a Board Member. Kirsty Sloan had been proposed as a Board Member as per the guidance for the AGM. Kirsty was unanimously approved as a Board Member. Noel Howson was proposed as a Board Member but due to the late hour it was agreed that Noel could be co-opted on at the next Board Meeting which would be held in the evening to accommodate.
9	General Business Roy McKernan has issues with the Road that will be built for the new DGHP housing, and possible car parking issues. Roy was asked to put any questions in writing, and the centre could send them on his behalf. Any communication with DGHP will be made available to interested parties. Roy noted the red squirrel population could be affected by the change to the area. Billy Lockhart had contact details taken from the Polling Day at the centre for a potential hall hire and will pass on to Helen Thornton.
10	Date of next AGM and Meeting close: David Johnstone thanked everyone for attending the AGM. The next AGM would be in spring 2023, date to be confirmed nearer the time.
Minute taker:	Helen Thornton