



## Meeting Minutes

Held at: Woodbine Cottage, The Muirs

Date: 24 January 2017, 7:30pm.

Present: Mike Davies, Colin Neesom, Colin Mumford, George Beverly  
Roisin Daly (Marr Area Partnership)

Apologies: Averil Stewart, Debbi Beeson

### Action:

- 1 Minutes of the last meeting, 29 November 2016, were not available for review
- 2 Roisin Daly (Marr Area Partnership) was introduced. She explained that she was present to advise the Board on the process of developing a Community Action Plan. Other surrounding villages have already carried out this exercise and she tabled examples from Gartly, Lumsden and Strathdon.

The first stage of this process is to gather information, normally by carrying out a survey and RD showed examples. There was considerable discussion on the form of a survey and MD & CN noted that we had already carried out a similar survey, the results of which have still to be analysed. RD felt that this could be built on to obtain the information necessary for the Action Plan. RD to send examples of surveys for review.

CN

RD

MD tabled the latest revised plan for the Congregational Hall project. RD was interested in this and how it could relate to an Action Plan. Discussion took place on the general issue of the lack of a village hall in Rhynie and the history of RCT efforts to address this. It was generally agreed that the latest plan represents the best use of the space and we should consider how we take this forward. This would involve some cost to RCT and we might look at what funding could be available to assist us.

CM advised that he is planning to speak with a Health & Safety advisor with regard to the present condition of the hall and was hoping to gain advice on necessary immediate works which would render the building usable in the short term. It was agreed that this would be useful in enabling us to promote the project to members and residents. RCT could assist with sourcing funding for the repairs.

CM

Discussion also took place regarding the timetable for an Action Plan. GB suggested that the Gala might provide a suitable time and venue to introduce the project to residents. RD advised that the process would typically take around a year to complete, she agreed that the Gala could be a suitable date for the presentation of the survey results. CN also suggested that the gala might be used to promote the hall renovations by organising small group visits to view the building and explain the project.

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AS advised by email (not discussed at the meeting) that the Hogmanay Party held in No.14 raised the sum of £332.80 for RCT funds.

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