



# GIRVAN COMMUNITY GARDEN MINUTES

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| <b>Meeting Title:</b> | Directors Meeting                    |
| <b>Date Time</b>      | 6 <sup>th</sup> August 2024 at 19:00 |
| <b>Location:</b>      | Cabin, GCG                           |
| <b>Chairperson</b>    | Chris Campbell (Stand in)            |
| <b>Minutes By:</b>    | Chris Campbell                       |

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| <b>Present:</b>   | Chris Campbell, Kenneth McDonald, Christine McLeish | Julie Campbell<br>Lynsey Gibson and Nicola Taylor<br>(Future Directors) |
| <b>Apologies:</b> | Kevin Gilillan, Laura Gilillan                      | Jim McClymont   |

|    |  | <b>Action</b>      |
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| 1. | <b>Apologies</b><br>As above   |                    |
| 2. | <p><b>Events Review:</b></p> <p><b>Girvan Forage walk and picnic</b> Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> August 11am – 3pm. Free. Digital poster was produced. Booking was through Secretary email. Up to 12 places on offer. 12 booked on – one was a no show. Excellent feedback on the walk and picnic.</p> <p><b>Paddle up the River Girvan</b> Sun 4<sup>th</sup> August 12pm – 3pm. Digital poster was produced. Booking through Secretary email. Up to 12 places on offer. All places filled within 12 hours. Reserve list created and used. Open to over – 50s, Free. All 12 attended. John and Jennifer filmed the event. Excellent feedback. Adventure Carrick will partner with GCG as they have funding for another trip. Chris Saunders to identify a suitable date.</p> <p><b>Strawberry Teas</b>, Sun 4<sup>th</sup> August 1pm – 5pm. Was really busy. Over 180 visitors. Sold out of strawberry tarts and cakes. Will increase pastry cases to 80 next year.</p> <p><b>Whisky Tasting Social</b> on Sat 27<sup>th</sup> July, 17 tickets sold. Some late cancellations due to illness. Event went well. New patrons registered. Next event scheduled for October 12<sup>th</sup> featuring Bladnoch.</p> |                    |
| 3. | <p><b>Event Planning:</b></p> <p><b>Private parties</b> Saturday on Aug 10<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> 2pm – 8pm Licences in place.</p> <p><b>Apple Festival</b> on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>, Entry £5, pay at gate, All inclusive ticket includes apple tarts, apple crumble, custard etc from cabin. Cider, Apple wine and Apple gin. Chris to book some music.</p> <p><b>Well Being taster sessions</b> on Sat 31<sup>st</sup> August 10am – 5pm. Free. Julie will coordinate. All places ( 40 – 60) over the 5 sessions have been taken. Refreshments and lunch free to those in attendance.</p>   | Chris<br><br>Julie |
| 4. | <p><b>Minutes of Last Meeting:</b></p> <p>Minutes of December meeting: <b>Proposed</b> by Kenny MacDonald, <b>Seconded</b> by Chris Campbell</p>   |                    |

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| 5.  | <p><b>Matters arising and action points:</b></p> <p>Chris still to liaise with Paul about streamlining the website.<br/> Julie still to get GCG logo onto clothing. Julie to speak to Jennifer about designing a new GCG logo.<br/> New PVC front fitted. Chimney flue now to be fitted to the wood side after the summer. New furniture required to create a new winter Cosy space.<br/> Live streaming of concerts will be possible.<br/> Halloween meeting still to take place. Laura will update at the next meeting.<br/> Public Entertainment Licence application is ongoing.<br/> Tribute gathering for Jock Marshal arranged for Sat Oct 19<sup>th</sup> from 2pm – 6pm. Chris to arrange.<br/> Jim Flynn has resigned as Director but remains as a volunteer. At the AGM there will now be 4 vacancies. 3 will be filled by Nicola, Lindsay and Calum. 1 Director to be sought for AGM.<br/> Chris has started researching a water filter for the garden. Most feasible type would be from a gravity fed tank. Research in progress.</p> | <p>Chris<br/> Julie</p> <p>Chris</p> <p>Laura</p> <p>Chris<br/> Chris</p> <p>All<br/> Chris</p> |
| 6.  | <p><b>Employees Report:</b></p> <p>Grants volunteers dug out the soakaway, cut ivy and installed some ranch boarding. Electrician repaired leaking outside light junction box. Skip now full and needs removed. Chris to request.<br/> Grants volunteers will return in September to paint the inside of the compost toilet.<br/> Jim on Annual Leave from 11<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> August.</p>   | <p>Chris</p>  |
| 7.  | <p><b>Garden Maintenance:</b></p> <p>West border (at dry dyke) now planted with shrubs.<br/> Ranch boarding still to be done. All boards now painted.<br/> Plumbing for the soakaway has now been installed and all work complete. Working well.</p>  |   |
| 8.  | <p><b>Funding:</b></p> <p>No word from Arnold Clark to cover repair of outdoor lighting circuit.<br/> PB funding application submitted to cover 6 monthly performances in the dome over the winter months to address social isolation. GCG has also sponsored an application to PB from Jennifer and John.<br/> Application will be made to ARIA to purchase a solar power bank.<br/> Chris has found a potential funder, Carrick Futures, to cover wages from April 2025.</p>  | <p>Chris<br/> Chris</p>   |
| 9.  | <p><b>Secretary's Report:</b></p> <p>Chris read through some of the correspondence but there was nothing of importance</p>  |   |
| 10. | <p><b>Treasurer's Report:</b></p> <p>£53K + in bank account. This includes the VASA funding for 2024/25, and a minimum Unrestricted fund of at least £20k. Annual Accounts are now complete with ATB. Once the final adjustments have been made Kenny will circulate a copy at the AGM and forward a copy to OSCR accountant.<br/> Kenny, Chris and Nicola will meet to discuss the handover, systems etc. Chris to arrange. Nicola to check if she has a BOS account.<br/> Petty Cash transactions should be restricted to small amounts.</p>  | <p>Kenny</p> <p>Chris</p>   |
| 11. | <p><b>Social Media and Website</b></p> <p>Facebook page regularly updated by Julie. YouTube site being canvassed. Website still to be streamlined.</p>  |   |
| 12. | <p><b>AOCB:</b></p> <p>AGM to be advertised on Facebook and website by 30<sup>th</sup> August at</p>  | <p>Julie/Chris</p>  |

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|     | <p>the latest.<br/> Soft drinks purchased for the cabin.<br/> Stretch tent will possibly be pitched on Fri 9<sup>th</sup> August to cater for the August functions. Chris to arrange volunteers.<br/> Possibility of no car park vehicle access when landscaping work will begin. We will put a padlock and chain on the front gate.<br/> Brown bin to be presented kerbside on Wednesday. Kenny will do this.</p> | <p>Chris<br/><br/>Kenny</p> |
| 13. | <p><b>Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Sept 2024 , AGM 7pm, Cabin</b></p>   |                             |