

## **Balloch Castle Country Park Regeneration Group**

### **Minutes of Members Meeting held on Thursday 4/12/25, 7pm Balloch House Hotel**

**Present:** Sally, Audrey, Caroline, Pauline, Karon, Andy Sinnott, Gillian

**Apologies:** Aileen, Cara, Matt, Chris

#### 2. Matters Arising

Trustee profiles and updated Constitution to be uploaded to our website, Caroline happy to help, Gillian to send the password.

3. Approval of minutes proposed by Audrey, seconded by Caroline.

#### 4. National Lottery Heritage Fund

Project Enquiry was submitted on 25/11/25, awaiting feedback.

#### 5. Phase 2 Flags Project

Phase 1 banners to be inspected for damage.

Audrey has submitted funding applications to Sustrans now Walk, Wheel, Cycle Trust and Safe Deposits Fund.

Augmented reality discs to be attached to lampposts on the path from the rear Moss o Balloch Car park to the Main Ave, theme will be "Who lives here?"

#### 6. Foyer Display

Information received from Balloch Park Guide and SCENE

Outstanding CHAS, Loch Lomond Fisheries Trust, Loch Lomond Angling Improvement Association and ourselves.

Sally will contact Laura to see if she can give CHAS a push.

#### 7. Strathleven Foundation

Unfortunately we were unsuccessful in our application for further funding.

#### 8. UCL

If we were successful in being chosen this would be a four month project by UCL students, we are in the Ecology, Climate Change and Health Challenge Category, Sally will submit our brief by 12/12/25.

#### 9. Christmas Tree Event

Poor response to the offer of trees.

Trees cut between 10 and 12 with public collection between 12 and 1pm.

#### 10. Membership

Gillian will edit the Membership application form to remove the donations section, we can then issue to our contact list to formalise membership.

Register to be set up to hold members' details to comply with GDPR.

#### 11. Spring Clean Event/Clyde Clean Up

Clyde Clean Up events will be launched over the weekend of 14/15 March 26 with a series of activities.

Gillian to coordinate with MAC for a litter picking day.

#### 12. Local Place Plan

Arrange meeting with Nick from Nick Wright Planning who is working on the Local Place Plan.

#### 13. AOB

Commemoration of 110th Anniversary of the opening of Balloch Park.

Coordinate with MAC, set up a meeting in January and consider funding opportunities.

Work with Balloch Park Guide and Vale of Leven History, could we mark the site of the original Castle.

Caroline advised that our Facebook page has had 14,000 views in the last 28days and 24 new followers.

Meeting closed, Sally thanked all for their attendance.