

SCIO COMMITTEE MEETING
26th October at 7.30PM
VILLAGE HALL, FURNACE

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE (In alphabetical order)

Karen Baird (**Chair**), Craig Dickson (**Vice-Chair**), Sharon MacInnes, Louise Mackellar, Kenneth MacKellar, Lynsey McKinnon (**Social Club**), Eva Paterson (**Treasurer**), Ruth Tott (**Secretary**), Carol Watt

APOLOGIES

Mark Boston, Andy Henderson, Gill Tefler

MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (12 May 2022)

The minutes were agreed as a correct reflection of the meeting and were proposed by Sharon MacInnes and seconded by Carol Watt.

MATTERS ARISING

No valuation has been arranged with a view to keeping up records regarding SCIO assets. This will be deferred to Spring 2023.

SM reported that we now have 2 quotes for the CCTB. MB and SM meeting a 3rd prospect this week. Report expected next month.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Eva has finally been able to get access to online banking and reports that we are fully up to date regarding payments. SCIO balance £15,012. Social Club balance £2,590. £1500 has been transferred to the SCIO account.

She requested that the volunteer bar staff (Carol, Karen, Sharon, Craig and Mark) put money in the safe at the end of their shift. No need to do the Zettle report as she can access online.

HALL REPAIRS

RT reported that she had had no joy with the company who replaced the windows in the bungalow. Despite them arranging, twice, for someone to come out to measure. SM to explore alternatives.

BUNGALOW/SHOP

As the oil tank has been recently filled the SCIO will look to getting it moved in Spring 2023. PAT testing in the bungalow will take place at the same time. SM to ask David to check depth of insulation in the attic.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY

RT produced spread sheet showing increased electricity costs in the hall. The daily tariff has almost doubled.

Discussion followed about whether we should have Christmas Lights around the outside of the hall. It was thought important that we did this to 'raise spirits'. But we get a timer so the lights go off at Midnight and come back on at 4.30pm.

EVENTS / FUNDRAISING

Our first Cocktail Evening was a good night enjoyed by all and we reached our target sales.

This weekend we have both Bingo and the Halloween Party which should ensure we exceed September Social Club sales. Lynsey reported that the bar, although sluggish the last weekend, is continuing to do well.

Craig mentioned that Robbie Bell suggested having an 'Open Mic' with various musical folk turning up and starting to play. This was thought by all to be a good idea and will be promoted on Everything Furnace.

Furnace Community SCIO will get funds from the Co-op Community Fund but we need to promote to get as many people signed up so that for every £1 spent in the Co-op we get 1p. RT to promote on Everything Furnace. Lynsey suggested a sign at the bar.

18th November – Winter Cocktail Evening. Thought worth doing again. RT introduced a few new 'seasonally inspired' cocktails which will go on the menu. Need to look at wording of the poster as a few didn't come 'dressed-up.' Dressing up will remain optional.

SM confirmed the singer is booked from 7.30 Friday 2nd December. The light switch on will be from 6.30pm. Then in to the hall for mulled wine/hot chocolate and mince pies.

SM to organise lights and Christmas trees (outside) in time for the Christmas Light Switch on to be held on Friday December 2nd, to coincide with the party. More details will be formed at next meeting in November.

Race night will be held over until 2023.

SM to liaise with the many people to ensure that we have a Christmas Tree outside, along with lights, ready for the switch on the 2nd December.

The SCIO decided to opt for a large fake tree for the hall itself. SM to explore options.

WARM HUB

The SCIO is working with Minister Dorothy Wallace to run the Heat and Greet sessions in the hall. This starts on Wednesday November 9th. Funding has been awarded to cover electricity costs and we hope to secure additional funds to cover food costs. SCIO confirmed that open doors applied to Minard too.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Lynsey raised matter regarding cover for New Year. Cover to be confirmed asap.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING NOTE EARLIER START DUE TO COMBINING BOTH MEETINGS ON ONE NIGHT.

The next meeting will be Thursday November 24th at **6.30pm**
Please note earlier time.