



Princess Louise Hall

Rosneath Peninsula Communities

Minutes of a Public Meeting To Establish Princess Louise Hall (PLH) Charity Committee

25 August 2022

Special Committee

Robert McIntyre, (Chair) Convenor Community Council

Emma McDermid, Head Teacher Rosneath Primary School

Rev. Christine Murdoch, St Modan's Parish Church, Rosneath

Apologies, Fr. Michael Maloney, St Gilda's Church Rosneath

Attendees

Kirsty Moyes, Community Development Officer

Brendan O'Hara MP

Maurice Cory, Local Councillor

Maggie Irving, Community Resident

Donna Ledingham, Meeting Clerk

Barbara MacDonald, District Commissioner, Dumbartonshire Scouts

Isobel Stirling, District Guiding Representative

Graham Bell O.B.E., Funding Director, Cove Burgh Hall

Morvain Martin, Director, Garelochhead Station Trust

Members of the Public

Agenda Item	Lead Person	
Welcome	Robert	Robert opened the meeting by welcoming all who had attended. He expressed the hope that the situation could be resolved by returning the hall to community use with a full committee.
Introductions	Robert, Emma, Christine, Kirsty, Brendan	Robert invited the Special Committee to introduce themselves, Kirsty and Brendan were invited to do likewise indicating their presence was in a support capacity.
Statement by Rev Christine	Christine	After her introduction, Christine took the opportunity to deliver a statement outlining her involvement and concerns regarding the responsibilities placed on the special committee. She concluded with her hope and prayer that a satisfactory outcome will be achieved.
Purpose of Meeting	Kirsty	Paragraph 12.2 was on view to show to legal purpose of the meeting.
Background	Maggie	Maggie delivered a brief timeline of events from 2015 to present .
Rev Christine	Christine	<p>Maggie invited Christine to expand on her earlier statement. She emphasised the legal responsibility of the Special Committee. Morvain was able to confirm that the special Committee are relieved once a new committee is in place. Christine quoted 10.1 of the Constitution which states <i>“Voting at any general meeting shall be on the basis of simple majority of those members present and voting, except in amendments to the constitution or the dissolution of the committee.”</i></p> <p>The issue in question was who would be permitted to vote, since the wording of the constitution didn't make that clear. To avoid a lengthy discussion, Maggie suggested seeking clarity after the meeting.</p>
Being a Trustee	Maggie	<p>Maggie delivered a presentation on the value of being a trustee despite perceived difficulties. She began by setting out the requirements as stated in the Constitution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of eight. • Two ex-officio members from Scouts and Guides respectively. Barbara and Jacina will fill those positions in their capacity as Scouting District Commissioner and Guiding Representative. • One under eighteen person. Emma confirmed that the school has an active Pupil Community Council and one representative will be chosen to become a Trustee. <p>Kirsty stated that once a new committee is in place, it would be an ideal opportunity to make changes to the constitution.</p> <p><i>Again the issue of voting at the AGM was raised by Christine. Maggie stated her understanding that members of the public would have a vote. There were no indications to contradict that sentiment from the attendees.</i></p> <p>Kirsty and Morvain indicated available resources which will support the charity and trustees going forward.</p>

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Elected Representative	Brendan	Brendan emphasised the opportunity on offer and urged people to get involved. He assured the meeting that Council, Councillors, MSP and MP will be behind the venture and will help and support whenever required.
Volunteers	Maggie, Kirsty, Morvain, Donna, Maurice	Kirsty and Morvain gave examples of the training courses available and the interests which people may bring to the table. Barbara echoed these sentiments, emphasising the rewards a willingness to get involved can bring. Donna gathered the names of volunteers from the members of the public. The volunteers were issued with declarations to sign. These were collected to be held by Maggie until a secretary is elected. Maurice spoke of the value of being involved as a Trustee in a charity and pledged support for the venture. He suggest that there may be some funding available by virtue of the association of Princess Louise and Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Regiment.
Raffle	Two young members of the public.	Our two youngsters drew the raffle and a a delighted Beryl Gunn was presented with a £50 voucher for the bistro.
Conclusions	Maggie, Robert, Kirsty	Maggie was able to announce that the charity had a healthy fourteen trustees and now a duly formed committee. Barbara MacDonald Jacinta Andrew Gillon Moray Wallace Jackie Davidson Jayne Freeburn Nicola Milne Jan Arthur Hilary Lowson Tom O'Brien Barden Maggie Irving Dave Kinsman Donna Ledingham Member of the School Community Council
Next Steps	Maggie	Maggie was able to state that an AGM would be announced as soon as possible once all the details had been confirmed with OSCR.
Vote of Thanks	Robert	Robert extended thanks on behalf of the Special Committee to invited guests, members of the public, and Maggie. The meeting was then closed.

Links

1. Website : <https://princesslouisehall.org/>
2. Contact email : enquiries@princesslouisehall.org
3. Video recording : available on request at the above email address.