

LISMORE

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT



A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Charity Number SCO30469

## **Board of Trustees Meeting held in the Hall 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 7pm DRAFT MINUTE**

**Present:** Gilly Dixon-Spain, Roger Dixon-Spain, Amy Bowman, Douglas Thorburn, Mary MacDougall, Dot Hay, Duncan Drysdale (via Zoom)

**Apologies:** Clare Howarth, Carol Wormleighton

**Minutes of meeting held 29<sup>th</sup> June were read**

Proposed by Douglas Thorburn

Seconded by Roger D-S

### **Matters arising:**

-Amy Bowman reported on enquiries she had made regarding the possible use of the vehicle by a group of (probably young) people travelling to the mainland for an event or an outing. This could be a day trip to somewhere of interest or a musical event. She said there was definitely interest on the island and she would follow this up. It was also suggested that, on a pre-arranged date when the vehicle was already booked to take an adult to Oban, young adults on Lismore could take advantage of the transport for shopping. Most young people are only free at week-ends but this might be suitable in some instances.

Amy announced that she will be leaving Lismore in August.

- Following the circulation of the Draft Safeguarding document to all drivers, so far there has been feedback from only one driver. This was in relation to the recording of a possible incident. Douglas Thorburn suggested including a flowchart action plan which could be included at the end of the document. He will design one and report back. It was also suggested that the Safeguarding document be stored in a folder in the vehicle with the Drivers' Handbook, along with some loose paper. Incidents could be recorded but not left in the folder.

-Treatment of rust on the vehicle has not yet been completed.

- A reply was received from Scot. Gov. stating that they do not require any money to be paid back from the original grant as it would be reinvested in the service.
- It was confirmed that 16 year-olds are adults and eligible to use the Community Bus service.

### **Treasurer's Report.**

There has been little change since the last meeting. The bank total stands at £13,665.45.

### **Electric Vehicle Progress**

Douglas gave a full report on his work on the applications for 100% funding for an electric vehicle and a charging point. They are separate, but linked applications. The opening date was 18<sup>th</sup> July and the closing date is 4th September. Douglas has received advice regarding the type of EV that would suit Lismore, but has also been advised that making personal contact with companies supplying the converted EVs, and visiting them in person in order to make an informed choice, would be regarded favourably by the funder. Roger D-S volunteered to do this, which may require a trip to the south of England. The two EVs that seem the most suitable at this point are either the Mercedes e Vito Tourer or an e-Vauxhall Vivaro.

### **Charging Point**

In order to qualify for a 100% grant the charging point on Lismore is required to be available for public use and powered from a community electricity supply. Douglas approached the Lismore Heritage Centre which has a reasonably sized car park, and the Lismore Community Hall. The Heritage Centre directors decided against it, but the Community Hall directors were in favour. The Hall car park is on land owned by the Hall and has adequate space for a community charge system. This could be installed by Argyll and Bute but there is a long waiting list, priority being given to larger communities. Douglas was thanked for his efficient and detailed report on his progress on the funding applications.

**First Aid training for drivers.** This is postponed until Clare Haworth is available.

**Date of next meeting**

**THURSDAY 11<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 7pm in the HALL**

