



Crathes Public Hall Trust (SCIO 043007)  
Minutes of Trustee Meeting 10th March 2025

**Attendees:** Neil McHattie, John Gaunt, Joan Willox, Derek Johnson, Jen McHattie, Sophie Wright, Gareth Hunt, Geoff Knight

**Apologies:** Bert McIntosh, Jac Elliott, William Binnie

**Review of previous minutes:** Minutes of previous meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025 were proposed as a correct record by Gareth Hunt and seconded by Derek Johnson.

**Financial Update:** As per previous minutes

**Previous Actions**

- Station Wood Update
  - Geoff organising event for Spring 2025
- Policy documents reviewed and updated by Neil. Jac to review before final upload
- Car park border west side of the hall - Derek to organise working party to lay chuckies and edging
- Upcoming fundraising events
  - Summer ceilidh June 2025 to be organised
- 1 Trustee position remains vacant
- Treasurer position – Role remains vacant and to be filled prior to mid 2025
- Several email survey options remain available for community consultation – No further action required until kitchen options established.

## **Refurbishment**

- Solar panel Project –Pending resolution of battery installation
- Kitchen
  - Derek provided summary of 2 quotes received for damp issue (Kitchen)
  - One quote preferred, cheaper and scope more in depth
  - Provisional timing for works 7<sup>th</sup> July to 2<sup>nd</sup> August (Hall to be closed during the period)
  - Preferred bidder to be contacted – Derek
  - Gareth confirming solution to prevent water ingress under hall
  - Joan to visit Aboyne Community Kitchen
  - Neil to confirm funding release conditions
  - Joan/Jen/Sophie to investigate commercial kitchen requirements/legislation
  - Geoff to investigate potential National lottery funding

The Trustees acknowledged the volume of work completed by Derek in relation to the kitchen upgrade and expressed their gratitude.

## **AOB**

- Microwave damaged and removed – not to be replaced at this point
- Foyer door to be removed - John and Derek



- Geoff to speak to other Crathes residents about becoming Trustees
- 2025 200 Club tickets still to be sold by end March 2025
- 1 bank account to be closed due to new fees. 1 account to remain
- William to investigate 'Stripe' financial system

Next Meeting 6.30pm, Tuesday 29 April 2025 at McHatties House