



KILCHRENAN VILLAGE HALL SCIO

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday 21st May 2026

Present: Brian Burnett (Chair), Peter Grey (Treasurer), Flora Winter, Lindsay McGowan (Minutes), Rhona Knox, Janice MacEachen, Jamie Beamish, Michele Backhouse

1. Apologies for absence
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 18th March 2026
4. Matters Arising
5. Treasurer's Report - Peter
6. Property and Maintenance
7. Report from Events
8. Report from the Funding Group
9. Update on the Future of Kilchrenan Playing Fields
10. Trustee Recruitment
11. AOB
12. Date of Next Meeting

1. Apologies for absence

Talia Carmichael, Alice Shambrook

2. Declarations of Interest

Brian: AKCH - Treasurer, Avich and Kilchrenan Community Council member, Kilchrenan and Dalavich Church elder and treasurer

Flora: Bridge Club member, Art Club member

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 18th March 2026

Proposed by Rhona and seconded by Lindsay.

4. Matters Arising

None.

5. Treasurer's Report - Peter

A full Treasurer's Report was circulated prior to the meeting. Key points noted were as follows:

- Income is approximately £2,000 higher than at the previous meeting.
 - The main contributors were the Bealltinn event, the Pre-Loved Clothing Sale and the quarterly art class payment.

- Projected annual income is estimated at approximately £8,500 per annum, comprising:
 - 65% from events
 - 22% from hall rental
 - 12% from the 50:50 Club
- Annual expenses are estimated at approximately £7,200, meaning the Hall is currently projected to operate at a small surplus.

6. Report from Property and Maintenance

• **Shed**

- Jamie will organise painting of the shed once there is a sufficiently dry weather window.

• **Driveway**

- MacKenzie have agreed to honour their existing quote, which is greatly appreciated by the Board.
- Jamie contacted an additional supplier regarding tarmacking works; however, the quote received was considered prohibitively expensive.
- Jamie also spoke with the Council, who appeared unaware of the Hall's previous reports regarding the ditch and running water eroding the driveway. The Council are due to begin works at three nearby properties during the week commencing 15 June and have agreed to complete the tarmacking for the Hall at the same time.
- Jamie met with Boris and representatives from MacKenzie on site to coordinate plans for the driveway works. The quarry has agreed to provide the stone chipping. The Hall will purchase the grids required for filling with stone.
- Jamie will coordinate the preparatory works with Boris to ensure the site is ready ahead of the Council works commencing week beginning 15 June. It was noted that some fencing may need to be temporarily removed in advance of the fencing project.
- The Board expressed its thanks to Jamie for his significant efforts on the project, particularly in sourcing both the tarmac and stone chippings.

• **Generator**

- Janice has been assessing the Hall's requirements and liaising with a major generator supplier to determine the most suitable generator for the Hall and obtain quotations. The aim is for the Hall to have its own generator to improve resilience during power outages.

7. Events Feedback

Refer to the Events Report for details of all events held since the previous meeting. A wide variety of successful events have continued to bring together both local residents and visitors to the area.

• **Games Day – 15 August 2026**

It was noted that this is a labour-intensive event requiring a strong team of volunteers both in advance and on the day itself.

- **Football World Cup Screenings**

The Board agreed not to proceed with screening World Cup matches due to the likely low attendance at late evening kick-off times. It was noted that this decision may be reconsidered should Scotland reach the final stages of the tournament.

- **School Kids Club - Summer**

Rhona spoke with Alice regarding her capacity to continue leading the Kids Club alongside her new role at the Inn. Alice advised that she would still be able to support the project, but not lead it.

Rhona will therefore explore alternative options for leading the programme.

Next Music Gig – “Music From Far & Away”

Twenty tickets have already been sold, with a maximum capacity of sixty.

Proposed Events

- **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

Scheduled for Saturday 26 September.

- **Next Quiz Night**

Scheduled for Saturday 24 October.

- **Mid-October Event**

The Board discussed organising either a music/performance event or another live music gig. It was noted that £350 credit remains available through the Touring Network.

- **November Event**

The Board discussed organising a more internally focused social event in November, such as a murder mystery evening or bingo night.

- **St Andrew’s Dinner and Ceilidh - proposed 28 November.**

Janice will contact the Nicolson Band and Clare Gilbert regarding music and catering arrangements.

- **Kilchrenan Does Christmas – proposed 21 November**

Rhona will check with Dalavich regarding the date of their fête day to avoid clashes.

It was agreed that promotional materials should advertise only the event start time, rather than an end time.

Coordination with Other Community Groups

The Board discussed coordinating dates and activities with other local community events, including:

- Community BBQ – 13th June
- Strawberry Tea – 25th July
- Flower Festival– 22nd and 23rd August

- Piping Celebration – Sunday 28 September

Miscellaneous

The Board has decided not to renew the Hallmaster account and are instead using Google Calendar, already implemented.

8. Funding

Rhona has secured a £1,500 grant for the play area from MyParkScotland. The Board expressed its thanks to Rhona for her proactive work in obtaining this funding. The current plan is to undertake preliminary improvement works in June to make the play area more usable and better aligned with the objectives set out in the Community Action Plan.

9. Playing Fields

AKCC has agreed to send KVH a draft lease for review. This has not yet been received. The Board noted that a lease arrangement may prove to be a credible option, but it is not possible to assess this until the draft lease has been reviewed.

The KVH Board agreed that a special meeting will be called should there be any significant updates.

10. Risk Assessment and Health and Safety

No update.

11. Trustee Recruitment

We now have a healthy board and no need to strongly recruit.

12. AOB

Janice suggested using the Hall to display the historical photographs gathered during The Remembering events. It was noted that there had originally been discussions around AKCH using the photographs within one of the churches; however, no firm plans have yet been agreed regarding their use. The Board agreed that KVH could potentially host a display, provided any exhibition or installation remains movable should AKCH require the materials in future.

13. Date of Next Meeting

15th July 2026, 7pm