

HIGHLAND WOODTURNING CLUB, Club Premises, Munloch Village Hall

Minutes of EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING (EGM) for all Club Members held at Munloch on Thursday 19th August 2021 at 6.30pm.

1. WELCOME to Meeting

Present :- Alec Mutch, Geoff Potter, Mike Day, Errol Levings, David Line, Peter Lawrence, Douglas Stewart, John Ruickbie, Cliff Sim, Jim Kelman plus other club members (See attendance list at the end of these Minutes- Total 20)

APOLOGIES: Nick Simpson, Alan Geddes

Alec Mutch (AM) welcomed everyone to the meeting. E-mail invitations were sent to all the Club members - this served as an Agenda for this meeting.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

AM brought everyone up to date with the temporary closure of the Munloch premises and the consequent search for new premises.

- a) the identification of Maryburgh old Primary School as new premises,
- b) the formation of Maryburgh Mens Shed (Constitution by AM based on Fortrose MS.
- c) Successful Charity status for Maryburgh (AM and CS were appointed Trustees of Maryburgh)
- d) the Community Asset transfer application for Maryburgh, (AM negotiated and approval gained, transfer still in progress)
- e) the Planning Application approval for Maryburgh, (Completed by AM)
- f) Change of plans for Maryburgh revealed by MMS
- g) the inability to reach any formal agreement with MMS over tenancy and rent for HWC (OSCR and the Highland Council have been alerted)
- h) Subsequent attempt by MMS to exclude AM and CS as Trustees.

This resulted in the abandonment of proceeding with Maryburgh by HWC (which was unanimously approved at every stage by the HWC Committee) and the re-examination of the possibilities for Munloch.

All possible changes have been examined for Munloch. Viz:-

- i) Extending the Munloch premises to the rear (unlikely to be approved by the Munloch Hall Committee)
- j) Improved ventilation (underway)
- k) Installation of dust extraction equipment (imminently planned and detailed already)
- l) Removal of internal partitions to open up the space (already done)
- m) Rearrange the internal layout to maximise space
- n) Sanitising and monitoring implemented, signing in compulsory
- o) Demonstrations using only one lathe, with seated Club Members up until Christmas 2021.
- p) Reintroduction of regular fortnightly and Xmas raffles
- q) An appeal for donated funds to finance the necessary alterations

Each point above was presented with the opportunity for questions and answers from anyone at each stage. Comments received were all supportive and the points were unanimously accepted by all.

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT

GP remarked it was good to see such a large turn out after this extended break. He reiterated that the Minutes of all the meetings are available on request to him, or could be seen on the Members section of the Club's website.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

