

LISMORE

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT



A Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Charity Number SCO30469

**Lismore Community Transport Annual General Meeting  
Fifth Annual General Meeting held at 7pm Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019 in the Hall**

**Present:** Gillian Dixon-Spain (in the chair), Roger Dixon-Spain, Freda Drysdale, Duncan Drysdale, Dorothea Hay, Margo Bell, Stuart Ross, Carol Wormleighton, Archie MacGillivray, Caroline Bath, Duncan MacGregor, Eva Tombs, Sebastian Tombs, Rosemary Barry, Jennifer Baker, Julian Wormleighton

**Apologies:** Liz Buckle, Maureen Mitchell, Clare Howarth, Ian Barclay, Mary MacDougall

**The minutes of AGM held 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018: Read by Sebastian Tombs, Seconded by Julian Wormleighton**

**Matters Arising:**

Regarding the charge of £2 to a client to have a pint of milk delivered, it has been decided that a volunteer driver can decide to do this free of charge, but if a client phones the driver and asks for a delivery of several items there will be a cost of £2. David will be made aware of this.

**Report by the Chair:**

Gilly Dixon-Spain read out her report (see appendix 1). It was a thorough summary of the year's activities and Gilly was thanked.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Duncan Drysdale, treasurer, presented his report (see appendix 2)

Carol Wormleighton asked if Glensanda had donated anything this year. Duncan said that he had written to them with a request for financial help, they had acknowledged his letter and he was waiting to hear further from them.

Sebastian Tombs questioned volunteers using their own cars to transport clients. It was explained that volunteers have to check this out with their own insurance company and provide evidence that they have done so. Drivers are paid 45p per mile, but this is not commonly claimed and is given back to the charity in the form of gift aid.

**Subscription rates:**

It was suggested that no membership fee be charged for the coming year.

This was proposed by Duncan Drysdale and seconded by Julian Wormleighton.

**Election of Charity Trustees:** The following Trustees were willing to stand for re-election

Gilly Dixon-Spain, Duncan Drysdale, Freda Drysdale, Roger Dixon-Spain, Mary MacDougall and Dot Hay

Carol Wormleighton was willing to stand as a new Trustee.

Proposed by Julian Wormleighton, Seconded by Laura Gloag

**AOB**

**New Website:** The new community website will be up and running soon and Gilly D-S proposed that all historic minutes be entered onto the Community Transport (Granny Bus) page. This was greeted with enthusiasm.

Julian Wormleighton expressed gratitude to the Trustees and all volunteer drivers for their contributions over the last year.

Meeting was closed at 8pm and tea and biscuits served.

## Appendix 1

### Chairmans Report

Covering the period from 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 to 27<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Another successful year for Lismore Community transport

We covered over 2.5 thousand miles; you'll hear all the figures from our treasurer

We enabled our clients to attend Hospital and doctor's appointments on Lismore and in both Oban and Glasgow. Dental, Ophthalmic and Hair appointments, café visits, some social calls and of course regular shopping and delivery of messages.

We are seeing an increasing need for hospital visits to both Glasgow and Oban. And are very thankful to our volunteers who are prepared to travel further afield to facilitate this, often in their own cars.

Each month we have between 16 and 20 runs which is only possible with our team of 15 volunteer drivers, most doing one day and some as much as 3 days a month.

We continue to have a "Get-together" every second month where the "Granny Bus" users Trustees and some drivers meet at the Heritage Centre Café in the summer months and in the wee manse church room in the winter to enjoy tea and scones. This gives the users the opportunity to meet socially, have a chat, and we can review the service and discuss any improvements or changes we wish to make.

Thanks to our wonderful DJ Ron Livingstone at Point House we had another very successful trip down memory lane, listening to some of his huge collection of 78's from days gone by including show songs and even prose performed by John Gielgud, On an antique wind up gramophone whilst feasting on a magnificent spread of cakes and sandwiches.

We held another fund raising car wash event on August 14<sup>th</sup> aided by Ailsa, David and Archie, and Mary and Emma with water supplied by Roger from the stream at Sailean, it was a lovely sunny day we washed lots of cars and we raised £164.50 Freda Dot and Duncan and other members of the board provided delicious tea and cakes for the car owners.

Near Christmas we had a Holly Lunch with the help of the children of Lismore Primary School and would like to thank Catherine Davies and the school staff for putting on such a good show lots of lovely songs with actions. This raised £180.

So, what else have we done this year?

We welcomed Roger onto the Board, when Lorraine retired which has been a great help as we need to have a minimum of 5 for a quorum and we now have 6 with him.

I understand that Carol will be joining us this year which is very good news.

We have addressed the GDPR legislation to make sure we comply.

We took our clients to the Community trust meeting in May

Our soon to be 5-year-old Vehicle continues to be serviced by Gunn's garage.

Duncan and I continue to do the monthly vehicle check and keep the vehicle clean. We currently need some electrical work done on the gearbox manual selection and a specialist garage is investigating this tomorrow.

We will consider over the next months whether our vehicle continues to be appropriate for our clients, since quite a few are finding it physically difficult to get into.

We haven't needed to use the wheelchair ramp this year.

Now to the Thank-you's

I would like to say a big thank you to so many, but especially to all the lovely people who give up their time to volunteer as drivers of the Granny Bus, going at times a little further than required, Using your own cars in times of need, carrying parcels, Unloading shopping, searching for Glasses, sticks and hearing aids. Without you all, this valuable service would be sorely missed.

So here we go Thank you, Carol and Julian, Dot, Caroline Bath, Clare Haworth, Iain Barclay, Laura Gloag, Stuart Ross, Mary MacDougall, Duncan and Freda, Tamsin, Christine Green, Rosemary Barry, Roger and myself.

We are very pleased to be welcoming back Iain McKinnon and Maureen Mitchel to the team from April.

Thank you to my fellow trustees who keep the show on the road and organize the smooth running of the organization and keep us solvent. Special Thanks to Lorraine McCormick who has been a great asset to the board but has now retired and moved on to concentrate on Hope Kitchen in Oban

Thank you, our users, for the appreciation patience and generosity you share.

Thank you also to those in the community who support us with both encouragement and financial contributions. And thank you to the carers who get our clients ready for transport.

Why not join us at our next get together for clients, drivers and anyone else who would like to join in at the heritage café at 11am on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May where we will have coffee scones and a social.

Thank you

Appendix 2

### Lismore Community Transport - Treasure's Report for year ended 31st October 2018.

Another successful year for Lismore Community Transport.

We did 115 runs on Lismore carrying 228 passengers and 39 runs to Oban and Glasgow area carrying 115 passengers. Total mileage covered was 2,664 miles.

You will see on the summary print out that we had a surplus of £639 over the year. We had a welcome donation of £250 from Gleaner Oils. We had two fund raising events during this year. The Holly Lunch in December and the Car Wash in August which raised a total of £345. Many thanks to everyone who helped run these events and to the people who came along and supported them.

As in previous years the fares and donations covered the basic fuel and ferry costs. The other main costs of servicing the car and insurance were covered by other donations, Gift Aid recovered and fund raising. We transferred £1,600 to the Car Replacement Fund this year.

Many thanks to the Trustees and Drivers for all their hard work keeping the show on the road.

