

Public Statement – Meeting October 2012

Barrhill Memorial Hall Association Open Day 23rd October 2012

BCIC Directors will attend this day to help the architects firm up their community consultation exercise.

Car Park

Following planning permission being granted for the Car Park to be built, funding applications are being progressed to put funding in place to cover the majority of the cost of the build.

Local Walking Routes

These funding applications will also cover the potential Lennie Wood Path and improvements to the Martyrs Tomb Walk, which will then create better and safer walking routes around Barrhill. Land Owners are being approached to sign an access agreement that allows the BCIC to maintain the current path at Martyrs Tomb and to develop a path through Lennie Wood.

Barrhill Public Toilets

Management of the toilets is changing to the BMHCA and it is hoped this will be in place by the end of this year. The BMHCA will then assume responsibility for cleaner contract, cleaning and maintenance. They have already begun to receive the South Ayrshire Comfort Scheme payment that covers the cost of running and maintenance. Whilst the BCIC grant covers the staffing costs associated with keeping the toilets open.

Winter Fuel Payment

The board of BCIC would like to thank everyone for returning their forms promptly. There has been a huge response from this with around a 90% return. Nearly all responses have been processed and there are just a handful of households that are still to return their information to be included in the payments. The directors of the BCIC have spent in excess of 140 hours in getting this project to fruition.. The board have received several letters of thanks and many comments that this has been a welcome exercise in community relations.

Barrhill CIC Memberships

As a result of the winter fuel payments, the BCIC has grown in membership, with 19 new member registrations and continuing interest in the company and its activities. Any resident who is interested in joining should contact any of the current directors or the secretariat

Christmas Pantomime

The BCIC has matched the £500 funding received by the school from the Barrhill Community Councils Carrick Futures Funding to allow the children a free trip to the Gaiety pantomime this Christmas. BCIC also has 10 pairs of free tickets available, dates to be announced, for adult residents. These will be allocated on a raffle basis. Any resident wishing to be considered for these tickets should contact the BCIC secretariat.

Current Directors:

Louba Hodgkinson / David Bowling / Celia Strain / Doug & Lily Niven

More information regarding Barrhill CIC can be obtained from the secretariat: Julia Whitaker (Ailsa Horizons) at address below or Email: Julia.ailsahorizons@live.co.uk or telephone 01465 710628