

Bridge of Orchy Village Hall Nomination of Trustee

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 The purpose of this Paper is to request that the Area Committee consider the request from the “Bridge of Orchy Village Hall Trust” to nominate an elected Member to serve on the trust as per the original deed.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Area Committee:

- 2.1 Note the terms of the extract from the trust deed of the “Bridge of Orchy Village Hall Trust” (Appendix1) which make this a historical request for an appointment to be made;
- 2.2 Note the purposes of the trust which are fully in keeping with the duties incumbent on a modern day Councillor;
- 2.3 Consider the request from the “Bridge of Orchy Village Hall Trust” to nominate a Member to serve on the trust as per the original deed. Bridge of Orchy falls within Ward 5 so the appointment of a Member from Ward 5 would most closely follow the form of the original trust.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The Bridge of Orchy Village Hall Trust was created in March 1963 by the deeding in perpetuity of the land and buildings of the village hall to three trustees, namely the then:
- 1) current Owner of the Blackmount Estate,
 - 2) current local councillor for the district, and
 - 3) then minister of Strathfillan church .
- 3.2 The trustees in the future were simply to be the successors of the holder of the offices above. The trustees were, and it is understood continue to be, supported by a management committee which continues to this day. The

committee has responsibility for the day to day administration of the trust and can co-opt and create casual members as outlined in the trust deed.

- 3.3 The purpose of the trust is promotion of physical and mental training and recreation of the inhabitants of the Bridge of Orchy and district, social, moral and intellectual development through reading and recreation rooms, libraries lectures classes and other expedient means.
- 3.4 The trust has a bank account which is accessible by the committee who have all responsibility for insurance and running costs (if any). The committee also have responsibility for any employees or other expenditures (if any). The deed allows the committee to require the trustees to mortgage the property if required to maintain or improve the property.
- 3.5 The trust deed specifies that the committee shall provide the trustees with sufficient funds to meet any expenditure and shall fully indemnify the trustees; however there is no provision as to how this is to operate in practice in the deed.
- 3.6 Should the Area Committee decide to decline the appointment, this can be achieved by writing to the Management Committee of the trust.

4. IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 **Policy** In accordance with Council policy to work in partnership with external organisations.
- 5.2 **Financial** No financial implication for the Council, however any member accepting nomination as a trustee takes on personal obligations which should be covered by the management committee.
- 5.3 **Personnel** Will require some member time
- 5.4 **Equalities Impact Assessment** None.
- 5.5 **Legal** None for the Council, however any member accepting nomination as a trustee takes a personal obligation

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