Parent Council Meeting

Minutes of Meeting 1st September 2026

1. **Welcome and apologies**

   Present: Gary & Kirsty Lewis, Charly Fraser Annand, Lucy Marriott, Becky Harris,Alex Jones,Emily McGuire,Shonagh Pringle,Izabela Haw,Clare Ferguson,Kirsty West, Suzie Dick,Sheila Barr,Joanna McCallum, Kelly Price, Sophie Bunyan, Claire McNally, Vik Steel, Allison Conner. Online: Karen Furze, Kirsten Picken

   Apologies: Kate Lucas

2. **Previous Meeting's Minutes:**
   Adopted by Kirsty West, Seconded by Shonagh Pringle
   Bingo night feedback
   Fundraising feedback-£2500approx to raise
   Letter still to go out to gain feedback on Passive or event based fundraising preference-approx cost per head to reach target needed would be around £45 per child
   Confirmation, after discussion and vote, that Back to School Barbecue on Sep.15th will be to raise funds after making appox. £500 last year.
   P7 Leavers concert and raffle raised just short of £800 and will be repeated again
   Trim trail, still to hear what needs fixed.

3. **Matters Arising**
   a. Possibility of Fish Farm funding to assist with swimming travel costs. To be investigated further.
   b. New Committee: Vik Steel volunteered to be new Committee Chair after Kirst West removed herself from position. This was agreed by Kirsty West, and seconded by Lucy Marriott.
      A very big thank you to Kirsty for stepping into the role and all the work she has done.
      Treasurer remains as Sheila Barr, agreed by Kirsty Lewis, seconded by Gary Lewis
      Secretary remains as Joanna McCallum, agreed by Sheila Barr, seconded by Lucy Marriott
   c. Participatory Budget discussed, extremely short in time to apply, and must be for a specific cause. Sheila to liase with school to hear what Pupil Voice feel is needed.
      Application deadline is Sep 13th
   d. Back to school Barbecue will be help on Tuesday 15th September after school. Shonagh Pringle to kindly source BBQ, Vik Steel to make poster which will be issued

online, via school and locally. Raffle to be organised by Lucy Marriott and Joanna McCallum, tickets sold in local shops and on night of Barbecue

e. Suggestion by Kelly Price that Electric Windmill funding could be applied for as a collective of the 6 schools to enable a greater amount to be applied for. Discussion to take place with other Parent Councils on island
f. Easyfundraising continues to be a source of income for school, Parents encouraged to shop using link.
g. Suggestion to post a QR code to allow donations to be made straight to account
h. Money to class teachers for purchase of resources to continue as in previous years

4. Headteacher's Report- Attached
   Request for Parent Council to fundraise specifically for Technology for the school as they are lacking in laptops
   Also request from school for list of parents who would have time, and be willing, to volunteer for outings etc to get in touch with school to arrange PVG (this will incur a charge to school)

5. Treasurer's Report- Attached

6. AOB: Email received from Lamlash Nursery, again asking for donation. Last lump sum was given 3 years ago. Since then specific items have been donated but feelings are strong that as our school feeds from various island nurseries, who all fundraise for themselves and are supporting by current parents, no further donations should be made. Sheila to reply with apologies and reasons.
   Suggestion made for Pledge Months, targeting specific fundraising

   Parent Council bank account is up to date with signatories, but has still to enable digital banking.
   Minutes to be sent showing that a single signatory will be able to make payments of up to £500.

   Constitution to be checked for any other limits in place

   Agreement that purchase of P7 Leavers jumpers, year book and meal will be funded by Parent Council as in previous years

Dates for you Diary

Date of next meeting : THURSDAY 19th NOVEMBER

Action Points

Action	To be completed by	Complete
Fish Farm funding available for swimming costs	Sheila or Joanna	
Check Participatory Funding	Sheila	
BBQ Poster	Vik	
BBQ Hamper for raffle	Joanna and Lucy	
BBQ borrow	Shonagh	
Food purchase		
Windmill funding letter to other PC's	Kelly Price?	
Email to Lamlash Nursery refusing donation request	Sheila	
PC Powerpoint to school	Joanna	
Request to see whether passive funding or events would be better supported	Joanna	