

Board Meeting Minutes

Date & Time	Thursday 22 nd May 2025
Location	The Dornoch Hub
Attending (Board)	Luke Watson LW (Chair), Glen McGill GM (Vice Chair), Paddy Murray PM , Jim McGillivray JM , Emily Teagle ET , Iona Currie IC
Apologies (Board)	Paula White PW
Guests	

	Item	Lead														
1.	Minutes of board meeting 17/04/25 for approval along with minutes of meeting on 22 nd May 2024 to be carried over to next board meeting, 19 th June 2025	NA														
2.	<div>LW led a review of ongoing and carried-forward actions. See updated Action Tracker for full details. Progress noted and extended timelines agreed for several ongoing items.</div> <table><tr><th colspan="2">Summary</th></tr><tr><td>New</td><td>1</td></tr><tr><td>Live</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>Closed</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>Extended</td><td>2</td></tr><tr><td>No longer applicable</td><td>0</td></tr><tr><td>On Hold</td><td>0</td></tr></table>	Summary		New	1	Live	0	Closed	0	Extended	2	No longer applicable	0	On Hold	0	LW
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3.	<div>Existing Projects/Activity</div> <div>No DACIC Board Report produced on this occasion therefore a full update is given on all projects and activities</div> <div>Member Update<ul style="list-style-type: none">New Members : Six new members joined DACIC during the First Food & Drink Market.</div> <div>Board Directors<ul style="list-style-type: none">Changes to directors and roles: Paddy Murray formally resigned as a director of DACIC. The board recognised and thanked him for his contribution and commitment to the organisation. The reason for stepping down was noted as the potential conflict of interest in serving on both DACIC and DADCA boards at a time when the two organisations are preparing to collaborate on the development of a new Community Centre. The board looks forward to continuing to work closely with Paddy in his capacity as a DADCA board member as both organisations progress the project in partnership.</div> <div>General Updates<ul style="list-style-type: none">None</div>	NA														

	<p>Other Projects & Activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distillery Update: All legal formalities for the lease have been completed, and it became active on 1st May 2025. An invoice for the first year's rent (£4,800) has been issued in advance to The Thompson Brothers. The project remains on course for the sale of the land in 2026. A change in routing for the electric supply was confirmed — now avoiding the full length of the site next to the MUGA. SSEN will carry out the works. A deed of servitude is required for the entry and exit points of the supply line across DACIC land. All associated legal and installation costs will be covered by the distillery. • Sports Centre and Community Centre Update: The project is currently on hold pending the outcome of the public consultation regarding TRACC. If TRACC closes completely, this may impact the suitability of the site due to anticipated user volume. Additionally, a recent article in <i>The Northern Times</i> by David Anderson unexpectedly outlined plans for the Meadows, which may also affect both the sports and community centre proposals. It was agreed that PM will arrange a meeting between DADCA, DACIC and David Anderson to clarify each group's plans and ensure coordination moving forward. • Food Markets Update: The first Food & Drink Market was a great success and resulted in new DACIC memberships. The next market is scheduled for 30th May 2025, with 15 stallholders already signed up. <p>The Dornoch Hub</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manager's Report: See attached Manager's Report for full details. <p>Dornoch Community Transport</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A grant application for a new vehicle is currently being prepared. <p>The Dornoch MUGA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April saw 33 paid bookings. Weekly pickleball social sessions continue. Adult and children's tennis coaching has resumed, and children's basketball sessions are due to restart in May. <p>Dornoch Coach and Car Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing issues with overnight motorhome parking were noted. New signage has been ordered. LW will continue to monitor the site during evenings. <p>Financial Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deferred to the next board meeting. Updated accounts will be circulated in advance as part of board report. 	
4.	<p>Safeguarding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No new or ongoing safeguarding concerns or risks since our last board meeting 	LW/GM
5.	Community Update	NA

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Council : JM – No new developments, next meeting will discuss the Common Good funding applications that have been submitted. DADCA PM – Gave update on sales of housing plots The BID – No new development Embo Trust: JM - No new developments 	
6.	Upcoming Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of May and June 2025 Events 	NA
7.	AOB <ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	ALL
8.	Next Board Meeting Thursday 19 th June at The Dornoch Hub	NA