

Summary of meeting of Baldernock CDT on Tuesday 10th March 2020

The Trust continues to have charitable status and Alison has supplied required information to OSCR. The membership form is being updated and gives information about the purpose and function of the Trust.

The future of the Youth Club is being considered as Isabel Ewing will cease to run it in May. Ways of funding a youth leader were discussed.

With rising numbers of children attending Baldernock Childcare, the Trust has had informal discussions with the staff to ascertain what they need, and would like, if new premises could be provided. The needs of the school were also considered as storage of equipment is problematic at present. The school has asked if the Trust, and the wider community, might help fundraise to provide an outdoor classroom on the site of the late lamented portacabin.

Facilities at the Church Hall were considered, with suggestions for making it more energy efficient such as double glazing, and it was observed that there is a lack of hot water available. Notice boards for displays of items relevant to the organisations which use the hall would improve the look of the hall, and the Kirk Session has kindly agreed that these can be installed. Funding for this will be sought from East Dunbartonshire Arts Council.

The climate crisis is a matter of concern to many in the community, and the Trust hopes to play an active part in local initiatives, with events specific to Baldernock being considered. The swap and share Facebook facility is up and running, and has been used already. A repair café has been suggested and there will be an event at which the community can share ideas on how we can address this problem.

A fundraising race night had been planned for the end of March, however, events have overtaken us, and this has had to be cancelled. It may be held later in the year, in the meantime, donations towards the work of the Trust are very much welcomed, indeed we need funds in order to continue running the Youth Club.