



DIBCA

Minutes

Date of Meeting	Time	Location	Minutes Taker
Monday, 18 th November	19:00	Dumfries Ice Bowl/Microsoft Teams	Graham Sloan

Present	Apologies
Gavin Kilgour – Vice Chairman Graham Sloan – Development Officer Susan Morrison – Ladies Chair Tony Lenton – Committee Member Rosemary Lenton – Treasurer David Kingan – Committee Member Michael Kyle – Committee Member Stuart Armstrong – Committee Member	Gordon McKnight – Dumfries Curling Luke Wedge - Secretary Jim Hogg - Committee Member John Graham – Chairman Robert Carruthers – Committee Member

Subject of Meeting
DIBCA Committee Meeting

Item	Discussion	Action
Welcome	Vice Chair Gavin Kilgour welcomes everyone attending the committee meeting and would chair the meeting in the absence of the chair	
Minutes of Last Meeting	The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by the committee.	
Correspondence	DIBCA had received by email notification of the intention to stand down as Dumfries Curling Directors from all 3, David Owen, James Findlay, Kenny Murray. This item was moved to the end of the meeting for discussion. Thank you, card, received from DIBCA Ladies expressing their sincere thanks for the support during the Canadian Tour.	

Reports	Discussion	Action
Chairman's Report	Gavin reported on John's behalf. After a week spent up in Aberdeen for the Scottish Junior Championships it was recognised the large junior representation at the championships, testimony to all the hard work by the local volunteer coaches. Congratulations to Team Carson on winning the championship for the 3 rd time and to Team Laurie, Thomson & Leigh for making the Final & Semi Final respectively. John is also hosting Canadian Rotarians as they tour Scotland and play in Dumfries on Tuesday 19 th November.	
Treasurer's Report	To view the full Treasurers report, view Appendix A . GS reminded the committee that the Holywood Trust Funding was only for this season & half of the 2025/26 season. Lead in times for funding applications can be significant and the committee would be advised to look into this now. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A small subgroup would investigate this. Rosemary L, Stuart A, David K to take forward and invite other representation to discuss when required. • Contacting Third Sector was top of the list. • Listing fundable projects to source funding for also required 	RL, DK, SA
Dumfries Curling Limited	We had been running on 1 compressor since the start of the season and the Icebowl had organised for a repair before the WMDQE. Engineer onsite for 3 days. Friday evening the compressors failed resulting in losing the ice for The National Curling Bonspiel. Engineer called back out and fixed on Friday night, but unfortunately it failed again overnight resulting in the melting of the ice. All of Saturday 16 th was cancelled, and the compressors were fixed again. Big thanks to volunteers Alex Bryden & Keith McKenzie for helping with the ice repair on Saturday evening. Further work required to get ice back to good playing conditions.	
Competitions Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report provided • Entries required for mixed pairs 	
Ladies Section Report	Successful Henderson Bishop Qualifier with Team Huntly & Nithsdale Ladies qualifying for Dumfries. A great time was had hosting the Ladies Canadian Tour and extended thanks to all those involved.	
RCCC	Ongoing discussions with Scottish Curling regarding hosting World Events as well as the Club Development Fund.	
Curling Development Officer	Congratulations to all the Juniors who represented Dumfries at the Scottish Junior Championships. Special Mention to the Champions Team Carson for winning 3 in a row Silver Medallists Tia Laurie, Kirsty Gallacher, & Stewart Kyle as well as Team Leigh for making the Semi Finals.	

Dumfries's Young Curlers	No Report	
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AOCB	Action
<p><u>Ice Bowl Capital Project Works.</u></p> <p>Planning – Planning Application Documents 24/2208/FUL ALTERATIONS INCLUDING APPLICATION OF EXTERNAL WALL RENDER, INSTALLATION OF REPLACEMENT OF EXTERNAL DOORS, BLOCKWORK INFILLS TO EXISTING OPENINGS, INSTALLATION OF AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMPS WITHIN NEW ACOUSTIC ENCLOSURES AND ASSOCIATED WORKS Dumfries Ice Bowl King Street Dumfries DG2 9AN</p> <p>The Curling Hall design to replace the roller door – was this the best option for the curling hall. DIBCA thoughts on removing the door and bricking it up would be passed onto the Council via Katie Grubb.</p> <p>John Graham had passed his thoughts on to Gavin regarding the timeframe that the proposed works would take. Potential to lose part of the season with a financial impact on lose of potential income, staff costs etc. This should be factored into discussions.</p> <p><u>Dumfries Curling Directors Notification for all 3 directors to stand down.</u></p> <p>John Graham, Gavin Kilgour, David Kingan to meet with Directors to discuss way forward and establish a timeline of events.</p> <p>Tony Lenton suggested that a full review of the current structure take place to determine if opportunities are now available make any beneficial changes.</p> <p>It was suggested that Gordon McKnight be involved in this as he had been pulling together operational data and financial figures over the last 3 months and could help in making informed decisions.</p> <p>It was agreed that the initial meeting to establish a timeline take place and then further plans created from there.</p>	<p>GS</p> <p>JG, GK, DK, TL</p>

Date of next Meeting
Monday, 16 th of December

Appendix A

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Treasurer's Report

Current Balance £40,896.93

Since the last meeting we have received a payment of £4,000 from the Council regarding a grant application that we have secured for the WMDQE.

A payment was made to the Ladies Section of £286.00 to help with the Canadian Ladies Tour which was recently held at the Ice Bowl.

We will shortly be asking Dumfries Curling Ltd for the transfer of the Members Levy for this current season 2024/25, this should be in the region of £4,000.

Rosemary Lenton

Treasurer