Minutes of DBDCDT Board meeting Number 26
2nd December 2024,
Torwood House, Birnam at. 19:00

Present: Jan Silburn (Interim Chair) (**JS**); Jane Bremner (minutes) (**JB**); John Gilruth (**JG**); Lachlan McEwan (**LM**), Roseanna Preston-Jones (**RPJ)**, Beth Taylor (**BT**)

Apologies: Kirsty Binnie (**KiB**); Stuart Paton (**SP**) Anne Cameron (**AC**);

Minutes
Minutes from 4th November 2024 were accepted. Proposed by **JS** and seconded by **JG**

Election of Office Bearers
JS will continue as Chair – her main responsibilities will be to chair meetings and monitor different groups and reports. **RPJ** has agreed to take on role of communications within the Trust and become line-manager for **BT**. She will liase regularly with **BT** regarding timetables, funding, website, and employment issues.

SP agreed to remain as treasurer.

JB agreed to remain as secretary. She agreed to provide minutes within a week of the meeting.

All trustees present agreed to read over the Constitution There will be a form to sign to say they have done this at the next meeting. Any questions regarding the present Constitution to be discussed at the next meeting. **Action – all Trustees**

LM requested that we made sure that representatives of the Dalguise and Butterstone village halls are sent invitations to trustee meetings. **Action - BT**

Finance
Financial report was sent to all trustees. **SP** not present. No issues raised.

Development Officer Report
BT sent all trustees he monthly report on 19th November. It was agreed by all present that receiving this report at least a week before the trustee meetings was very useful. BT asked if all trustees could make sure they were read the reports and any questions can be asked at the meeting. **Action – all Trustees**

There is a possibility of having a festival to celebrate 'Sustainable Tourism' in D&B. This will be in collaboration with the Archive and local businesses. Date proposed is 15th-17th October 2025. Funding for this will be needed. **Action - BT**

Bank Building
No further information.

Care Group

Initial proposal to have sessions for the Therapeutic Gardening at the Guide Hall. **JG** to ask Mel Nichols to present project to trustees. **Action- JG**

Artisan Village
Letter written to local residents' group to explain position of Trust. No response to this.
JS to contact group to ask if they could present the current status of the project to the Trustees. **Action – JS**

Environment Group: JG to ask group if a representative could attend a trustee meeting to outline all the very important work they are doing in D&B.

Community Bus
Letter of intent submitted to PKC. Awaiting response. Will need to develop core group of volunteers to run bus. Still to be done **Action – JS/BT**

Housing
Invitation to Community Housing Action Group (CHAG) to meet in new year has been sent. Possible date – 15th January. They have also been sent an invitation to attend the DTAS Debate on Community-led Housing which will take place on Wednesday 11th December 2024, 18.00 – 19.30 Trustees have been asked, if possible, to attend this and the meeting with the CHAG. **Action – all trustees**
It was agreed by all trustees present that it is important to move forward with all discussions regarding affordable housing.

Local Place Plan
Questionnaire complete and live. Next meeting 5th November 2024. All trustees have been encouraged to promote this – hard copies have been made available in The Bridge and are also available at the CIC.
JS and **BT** asked for volunteers to help with the recording of the data when needed.

Library
No further information.

Communication
Bridge has had a digital revamp which should make it easier to communicate reports.

Membership
No further comment made. Trustee in charge of membership still needs to be decided.

Next meeting: 6th January 2025, at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld. 19:00