

Minutes of DBDCDT Board meeting Number 15

5th February 2024,
at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld.

Present: Norman Grieve (**NG**) (Chair), Kathy Burns (**KB**), Anne Cameron (**AC**), Lachlan McEwan (**LM**), Beth Taylor (**BT**), Jane Bremner (**JB**) (Minutes), John Gilruth (JG), Stuart Paton (**SP**) Kirsty Binnie (**KiB**), Roseanna Preston-Jones (**RPJ**) Jan Silburn(JS)

Apologies: Cat Gordon (**CG**)

Minutes accepted for 8th January 2024 proposed by **JG** and seconded by **NG**

Actions arising from Minutes.

- NG discussed employment details with BT. **Ongoing.**
- SP spoke to DTAS to ascertain correct procedure for employment of Community Connector. **Ongoing**
- **RPJ** to meet with Sally Robertson to discuss the revamp of *The Bridge* on-line. **Ongoing**
- Access to Google Drive will be given to all trustees so that they can access relevant files. **Ongoing.**
- Trustees to send RPJ photos and short resumes about themselves for new website (before April) **Ongoing**
- Pizza van events for different age-groups. **Ongoing KB KiB**
- Meeting to discuss capital fund-raising. **Ongoing SP BT KiB**
- Information regarding Big Place Conversation has been received from Andrew Ballantyne . **Completed**
- Trust Newsletter will be distributed to all members of the Trust 6 times per year. **Ongoing NG/BT**
- **LM** to contact the council regarding woodchip in playgrounds **Ongoing**

Finance

The first payment from Gannochy Trust and has been received.

Finance report for last month has been sent to all trustees.

Trust will pay initial payments for the Care Group to cover money arriving from PKC. They have been invoiced and money will arrive in next few days.

NG to set up sub-account for these payments. **Action**

Care Group

JG confirmed that Eilidh Wild has been appointed as Care Group Project Worker. She has previously worked at the PRI. The role of supervisor of Eilidh is formally delegated by the board to **JG**.

BT set up a multi-disciplinary meeting for possible personal Assistants. Befrienders in the community have also been identified. Both have worked for the NHS. There will be a soft-launch within the next 2 months and publicity for this will be circulated.

LM asked for any information regarding employees to be circulated to the Trustees first.

Congratulations were given to **JG** as this project has moved very quickly and successfully.

Community Connector

BT sent her monthly report to all trustees.

BT is now employed for 2 days/week as Development Officer for Pitlochry Trust. All present agreed this was a good move and would help with the coordination of events in Pitlochry and D&B.

She attended a Highland Perthshire Housing Group (HPHG) Meeting (Aberfeldy/Pitlochry/D&B/Kinloch Rannoch). It was proposed that some of the money generated from doubling Council Tax for second homes could be used to employ somebody to oversee the development of affordable housing over the Highland Perthshire area. The HPHG wish to jointly employ a Project Manager (paid by the PKC). The relevant trusts will need to get together to discuss the management of such a post. This is still to be debated by the PKC Councillors. The board agreed and wish to participate.

LM expressed concern about the overlapping of grant applications from the different groups. LM to discuss with BT. **Action**.

AOB

SP reported that there is work being done on the proposed pathway between North Carpark and the Fountain Cross. It requires community involvement. BT will liaise with designers **Action**

JB explained that the HAG are making good progress towards a short list of sites earmarked for feasibility studies/plot surveys. This will now require the Trust to now work more closely with the HAG to assist moving these projects forward and help with the grants process required

A discussion was had regarding the proposed Haughend Development Project. There is a large amount of conflicting information circulating in the community. This is causing bad feelings between groups. It was agreed that a Fact Finding Team from the Trust needed to meet with the Atholl Group/PKC Councillors/PKC Planning officers and the Communities Housing Group to determine the facts. Members of the Trust identified were **NG/JB/KB** with two technical advisors, **BT** and Eric Bremner (interim Chair of HAG). NG will organize this group. The information obtained will be reported back to the Board of Trustees. The board will then decide what further actions the Trust should take and how to communicate this information to the community. **Action**
NG

The meeting ended at 21.30 pm.

Date of next meeting: 4th March 2024 at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld.