Minutes of DBDCDT Board meeting Number 25
4th November 2024,
at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld. 19:00

Present: Jan Silburn (Interim Chair) (**JS**); Kirsty Binnie (**KiB**); Jane Bremner (**JB**); Anne Cameron (**AC**); John Gilruth (**JG**); Lachlan McEwan (**LM**), Stuart Paton (**SP**) (minutes)

Apologies: Beth Taylor

Minutes
Minutes from 2nd September 2024 were accepted. Proposed by **JS** and seconded by **JG**

Community Bus
Letter of intent submitted to PKC. Awaiting response. Will need to develop core group of volunteers to run bus.

Finance
Financial report was sent to all trustees. No issues raised.
Key action is to progress large grant applications to bridge Gannochy Trust funding from Q2 2025.

Liaison with Community Council
Meeting held on 30th October 2024. Useful meeting for sharing of ideas and thoughts and agreement in principle to hold follow up meeting. No formal minutes taken.
Actions agreed in relation to housing: Community Council to lead on Haughend and NTS property transfer to PKC (to ensure priority for local people for leases in future)

Bank Building
Bank Building- letter of intent submitted; agent will revert when building goes on market.
Transfer of ownership of cash machine has taken place.

Care Group
JG provided update- ongoing work with PAs and befrienders going well and to plan. Funding from PKC in place. A new member has joined group.
Key issue is potential cooperation with Kinloch Rannoch. Application to PKC. Potential creation of Social Enterprise to run project going forward. However, commitment to keep Trust involved as local community links vital. Update at next meeting.
Therapeutic Garden. Mel Nicoll brought concept to Care Group. Potential to have garden around Guide Hall. Question if could use school gardens. £2,048 awarded from CIF.

Artisan Village
MoU signed with Artisan Village in May 2024 (attached for reference).
Currently at feasibility stage. BT supporting process but no detailed update as BT unwell.
NB follow up by email after meeting. Artisan Village has been asked by group of local residents to withdraw their request to PKC for an asset transfer. Majority of Trustees consider that this is not appropriate given only at feasibility stage and will write to local residents' group to explain position of Trust.

Housing
In light of Members' meeting in August, new Community Housing Action Group and other progress, SP wrote housing note which was approved by Trustees by email (see attached). This was not discussed in detail at meeting. See also note on Community Council meeting.
Key next steps (i) JS to speak to Gillian Macewan about CHAG, (ii) consider how to present housing at AGM, (iii) in light of AGM, take forward issues addressed in note.

Local Place Plan
Questionnaire complete and live. Next meeting 5th November 2024.

Library
LM attended library meeting. Meeting not very satisfactory as not clear on purpose of meeting. Statement that Birnam library total cost £30k pa.
Informal sub group set up- LM, Alasdair Wylie, Sally Robertson, Graeme Cook. Aim to meet Culture PK to develop plans for library. Also work with other local libraries eg Comrie.

Communication
We should ensure monthly article in Bridge.
We should also aim to have a regular Members' letter highlighting work of Trust alongside website and other social media.
LF requested that all Trustees are informed if Trust is making funding applications. **Action**- BT to provide information to Trustees on new funding applications.
Action: BT to issue her report to Trustees one week before Trustee meeting to consider issues. Report should focus on key issues and update on progress.
Planning meeting required for AGM planned for 25th November 2024.

Membership
Trustees generally of the view that responsibility of all Trustees to encourage new members. BT should continue her role of encouraging membership at any events she attends.
Action: Trustee to take on role of membership secretary given other pressures on BT time.

Next meeting: 2nd December 2024, at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld. 19:00