

Minutes of DBDCDT Board meeting Number 34

6th October 2025,
CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld 19:00

Present: (JS) Jane Bremner (minutes) (JB), John Gilruth (JG), Alex Kettles (AK), James Jarvis (JJ), Stuart Paton (SP), Jan Silburn (Chair)

Others Present: Angela Cunningham (AC) (DBDCC representative)

Apologies: Beth Taylor (BT), Lorna Tipney (Representative from Dalguize) Sonia Wallace (SW),

Representatives of the Amulree and Butterstone village halls were also sent invitations for this trustee meetings. Nobody was available to attend today.

All trustees present were asked if they had a conflict of interest for any of the subjects to be covered in this meeting. None were put forward.

Minutes

Minutes from 1st September 2025 were accepted. Proposed by JS and seconded by JJ

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1. Actions Arising from Minutes:

Monthly newsletter to members is to be reinstated. BT to do this

2. Care Group report

A report on the Care Group was very positive and congratulations to the group were sent from the trustees.

3. Finance

SP has circulated financial report for September – SP to forward to AC. **Action**

Money from the Sinclair Trust (£10,000) and the 3rd installment from the Gannochy Trust in April 2026 allows the Trust to be secure for this financial year

4. Post Office

Grant application to Griffin was unsuccessful.

The Community Council have met with Cassie from the Griffin committee but we have not yet received a report about this. SP and JS will arrange to meet with her at a later date to discuss the grant applications. **Action**

5. Energy Group Report

AK and JG will attend meeting on Monday 13th October to discuss green energy options.

6. Housing Group

BT has produced a report regarding the meeting with the Campbell Hall, Stephanie Dunning, James Ross, Sonia Wallace and Beth Taylor which discussed the Carrot Field area.

A consultant will be needed to do a proper survey of the land.

AK and JS will attend a meeting with the Community Housing Group next week.

It was agreed that the group should prepare a document to discuss with Thomas S-F from Murthly Castle to layout the next-steps, including a time-line. **Action**

7. Care Group

This continues to do well and the number of carers and PAs are at an optimum level.

The group is now registered as 'Heartlands Care Collective Ltd' and will be separate from the Trust although activities connected to the Care Group will continue to be linked to the Trust.

8. Development Officer report

Monthly report has been circulated. **BT** was not present at the meeting so any comments can be made at the next meeting.

9. Artisan Village

Pre-application has been submitted.

10. Community Bus

All trustees present agreed that the offer of a secondhand community bus from PKC is not viable at the moment – as we have to have trained volunteers and a place to park it.

The possibility of applying for a new bus was discussed.

11. Parking

JJ has provided a link for trustees to look at the proposed survey for residents. Comments should be sent to him. He will contact the CC to see if there is common ground which can be used to move the survey forward.

12. Wind-farm Update

DBCC organised a public meeting. Comments have been made that there was very little notice for the meeting.

At the last CC meeting it was discussed again and due to the opinions of those present the CC agreed to oppose the planning application at Meall Dearg Wind Farm. The proposal for Logiealmond has not been put in for a planning application as amendments are still being considered.

13. Local Fest

The Press-Pause meeting that was held for an invited group was very successful. Unfortunately, the actual event was called off due to lack of funding.

There was a discussion about the reason why it was cancelled.

14. AGM

JJ and **JB** will have to stand down from the Trust as they have both served for the 3 years stipulated in the constitution. Any new members will be selected at the AGM on 28th November.

All members should receive an invitation by 14th November any new applications to join the trustees should be made 7 days before the event. All applicants must be a member of the Trust.

Time will also be given to amend the constitution to allow replacements to be found for trustees who resign before their 3 years of service.

15.AOB

Possible new projects including the proposed Dance Group will be discussed at the next meeting. **SP** is happy to discuss options with those involved.

Meeting ended at 20.45

Date of next meeting: 3rd November 2025 at CIC, Lagmhor, Little Dunkeld. 19:00