

Aberfeldy Development Trust Meeting

27th November 2023

Beyond Adventures Office

Time 7.30pm

Minutes

Present: Graham Forsyth, Gill Steele, Sally Murray, Chris Birt, Adam Hobson, Helen Stockham, Anna Sibbald (Warm Connections)

Apologies: Mary McDougall

1. Approve previous minutes. Approved

2. Anna Sibbald, Warm Connections:

- Innovate Funding – Anna/Tom provided update on PKC bid for Innovate UK funding (in partnership with University of Edinburgh). Funding either £250k or £3.2m over 18 months with focusses on “Revitalising Homes”, an Ecohub and Sustainable Transport. They have encouraged the council, if successful to approach us as possible key local partners for delivery if successful (decision due this week (30/11)).
- Green Energy Fair- 27th April, Aberfeldy. **HS to apply for funding from PKC Green Living Fund 15th Dec Deadline.** Anna to find out costs from Pitlochry and also to check with Carol Aitken (who ran the Pitlochry event) whether she was considering applying for funding for the two day event (i.e. with one day in Pitlochry and the second in Aberfeldy..

3. Previous Action Update

- Identity Checks for Directors. with Mitchell’s solicitors- ACTION: SM to hand ID/paperwork to Mitchells.
- ADT to club together to give Izzie B and husband Ballintaggart voucher as wedding present. Action: CL
- SM to submit confirmation statement to Companies House .Completed
- HS to find out process and deadlines for RHF stage 2. Completed
- Action CB: Amend existing brief and send to local cllrs, along with invitation to meet to discuss. Outstanding. Action carried
- Action: HS to contact SSE re interim report. Report due Feb 2024
- HS to confirm will web developer about membership list. Completed- monthly alert set. Currently 200 on mailing list.

4. Prospective Site Developments

- **Slaughterhouse Site**
 - Additional flood modelling has taken place. Estimated £200k for flood mitigation work.
 - Permissions for work needed from surrounding householders/ landowners.
 - Funding needed for additional infrastructure costs
 - HS to arrange follow up meeting with CHT**

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- Graham arranging meeting with architect for Duntuim development. Graham meeting on 14th Dec
- Update received via email from Campbell Hall- Hillcrest currently negotiating with GS Brown about layout- planning application to go in in 2 months, with updated layouts available by end of calendar year.

- **Nursery/Forest School**

- Discussions with landowner continue. No further action from ADT at present

- **Forestry Land**

- Map review and ideas?
- **HS to submit ideas for land & list of other potential stakeholders (Healthiest Town, Upper Tay Paths Group)**
- **ADT to invite comments/ideas to feed into FLS- HS/SM to progress**

- **Remony Estate**

- Highland Housing Network flagged up 'Remony Estate – 6 cottages with long term tenants being evicted due to the properties not being fit for habitation and no money to renovate'
- This is outwith ADT area so no further action needed.

- **Other sites**

- Oxford university houses- **GS to contact and find out more**
- Ballechin plots (CL) old distillery buildings. 4 plots in 2 locations. **CL to email John CHT with details and questions.**

5. ADT approach to Moness purchase

- Awaiting results of Community Council opinion survey

6. CAP update

- Helen met with Star who have suggested reviewing timescales to enable more time for forming a community steering group
- Advice is to have a separate CAP process for Mid Atholl
- HS to check with PKC re timescales for LDP review
- HS to set up community steering group sessions with STAR
- HS to check availability of funding with PKC

7. Financial Overview

- Invoice update- **HS to chase SLF re Envirocentre payment**
- **HS to check PKC funding for feasibility study drawing down end of Sept deadline**
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- Core costs- HS meeting with PKC 30th Nov for funding chat. Money needed for accounts, insurance, meeting room, AGM costs etc.

8. Friends of Wade's Bridge Update.

- Ongoing. Meeting again in New Year with steering group of 6-8 people to take forward.

9. Influencing Policy

- Tay Forest Park. No response from ADT needed.

10. AOB

- AGM March 2024. GF to review previous requirements
- Grandtully Community buy out of village shop. No action needed currently
- Policies needed- HS has started drafting policies, which are saved in G drive. CB to review .
- Ideas for next newsletter- FOWB, Green Fair, JS comment, Forestry plans, poll for ideas
- Helen to make contact with Tomintoul through DTAS website and arrange visit
- HS to post about John Swinney comments at Scottish Parliament and thanks for support.

11. Time & date of next meeting

- Date of Next meeting Monday January 29th 7.30pm @Beyond Adventures