Aberfeldy Development Trust

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28th September 2026

Beyond Adventure and online

Time 7:30pm

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1. Welcome and apologies

No apologies received

2. Development sites updates

2.1. Fishers Way

- Kirsten hopes to conclude on Thursday 1st Oct.
- LF to update Garry re. insurance.
- LF to pick up with Helen on marketing.
- LF to find out where the keys can be picked up from. KH has confirmed they can be picked up from Perth office.
- All to start planning communications on Fishers Way purchase. Ensure that contact is made with Fishers Way residents before any public comms is released. Send letters again.

2.2. Corran Rèile

- John Forbes met with Planning. Outstanding concerns were address and Planning is content with these. Committee meeting is the 11th Nov. 9:30am and John and Catoe Brown will be in attendance.
- Any trustees who can go? All to check if they can go – action

2.3. Duntaylor Avenue

- John Forbes has not had a recent update on this. Waiting for costs for units.
- Campbell Hall – no updates for a few weeks. CH will request an update. His manager has stated the important of submitting a SLF application as soon as possible. This is in the SHIP.
- No decision from planning yet.
- John will find out the timescale for the next SLF deadline and meeting.
- JF - we need the indicative costs per unit for the SLF application.

2.4. Townhall flats

- Due to complete in November. John is confident they will complete this year.
- Town Hall flats are unfurnished and no white goods.

- Trustees discussed the possibility of taking on responsibility of the Town Hall flats and Locus Centre. Trustees agreed that ownership and management of the flats makes sense. The cultural side of the Town Hall and the tourism side of the Locus Centre is harder to reconcile with our current portfolio of projects and resource.
- Trustees agreed that these are important community assets and that ADT could be well placed to take these on with operational adjustments that are possible with planning and work. However, ADT need to consider due diligence and ensure that we consider all potential risks.
- Next step is to make a list of all areas for consideration. LF and CB to take forward.

3. Approve previous minutes

Approved

4. Previous Action Update

- Meeting set up with new accountancy firm on Wednesday 28th October. Trustees asked if this could be online so more could attend. LF to take forward.
- Lots of outstanding actions on Fishers Way. Need access to progress.
- Funding applications progressed – see below for detail.

5. CAP update

5.1. Community Forum

- Meeting was productive and the group have prepared an update on all CAP deliverables. The next stage is to draft a booklet with the aim of distributing this at the Christmas market.
- Trustees were asked to save the date and let LF know if they have availability to man the stall.

5.2. LPP – Aberfeldy, Dull and Weem

- ADT still need to prepare maps for the proposals in the CAP. GS and LF to work on this.

5.3. LPP - Midatholl/Strathtay

- GF and LF met with the group looking at a Midatholl and Strathtay LPP. LF will look into potential LPP consultants and follow up with Jo and Helen.

6. Financial Overview

6.1. Current budget position

- Trustees were updated on the current budget position.

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6.2. Current / upcoming funding applications

- DTAS Recovery & Resilience Fund – our application to DTAS was not successful.
- The Gannochy Trust – application has been drafted for a 21 hour DO post. This will be submitted this week. This is project funding for 1 year and can only fund 50% of total cost of post.
- Strengthening Communities Programme – deadline 11th October – trustees agreed that we should not apply for this funding this year due to their not being any significant changes to our plans since the previous year. We are unlikely to meet the criteria for success unless we have different portfolio of income generating plans.
- Green Living Fund – application drafted, sent to John for input, deadline 5th October. This is a participatory budgeting fund, meaning that ADT would be put forward to a community vote. This would require a high level of engagement and resourcing this could be challenging for a relatively small amount of funding.
- Aberfeldy / Dull micro grants – applications have been summitted to both community councils to fund the CAP progress report.
- Cassie McGonnigal has left SSE and we have a new contact at SSE. AH to forward details to LF and LF will follow up.
- LF to look at the CLLD funding and work up a proposal.
- GS will prepare Project Sheets for each of the housing projects – these will support funding applications.
- Trustees considered repeating a Housing Needs Survey to see how conditions have changed since the first survey.
- Enchanted Forest – LF to look at the guidance and criteria for this fund.

7. AOB

7.1. CHT letter and update

- JF advised that there are no further updates on timelines. There is another meeting ito discuss in a month. JF will keep us updated.
- ADT trustees asked if a letter to the FM or SAS would be a good idea.
- SM had spoken to FM about this and he advised that a brief email with facts would be helpful. LF to draft a letter and send to CB.

7.2. AGM – dates and structure

- Trustees agreed to hold the AGM in 2027 to allow time for an outcome to our planning application. LF to take forward.

7.3. Fishers Way – communication with residents

- Trustees agreed that it is important to update residents as soon as we are able to re. purchase and next steps.

8. Time & date of next meeting

- Monday 26th October 2026 @Beyond Adventures