



Minutes of FDT meeting at Burnbank Cottage 8pm 02/12/09

Present: David Howell, Gordon Cowtan, Martin Turner, Bill Acton, John Duckworth, David Smith, Kayt Howell (Admin)

Apologies: Pete Skabara.

Sports Club.

GC reported the completion of the second stage of the Club's energy saving measures.

Work included, sensors, new down lighters and movement detectors. Directors agreed to pass cheque of £2511 to Sandy Kelso.

Directors contacted Sandy to ask if the Club could submit feed back from the project and provide some figures on reduced energy usage and savings.

Transport

DS reported on the difficulties faced in getting surveys distributed in other areas of Strathendrick Valley. Fintry would have the best chance of response having had assistance from the Energy Agency.

Returns so far suggest;

60% would prefer time-tabled bus.

10% would like the flexible arrangement.

25% would prefer the demand responsive solution (which hopes to launch on trial in March '10)

30% would opt for the Fintry leased vehicles.

Full statistics still to come and full analysis of the age groups responses required.

GC ran through the Fintry questionnaire. Generally pleased with the response and supportive feedback.

Further forms will be made available at the school Xmas Fair.

(Note - on 05/12/09 KH received the forms from Energy Agency. Further 40 + Fintry and 50+ Transport. Further analysis at next meeting)

FRESH

Pressing need to establish date for the show.

MT to contact Mark Ruskell re SR day in order to piggy back publicity.

DS said Fling would be on 5th of June. Directors agreed the benefit of having FRESH on the same day from the family aspect, with the Business day being Friday 4th June.

Music Festival is at the end of May.

Date of FRESH to be confirmed.

Stirling Observer.

A recent article involving directors from FDT was insensitively worded causing negative comment from some residents. The fault was with the journalism and not with the actions of FDT or its Directors.

GC discussed negative reaction to FDT being a definite risk.

JD raised the need to manage information going out to journalists, and providing accurate 'new' information to prevent rehashing the 'old'.

FRESCO

GC summarised the report by Andy Lyle. Nearing completion of full business plan for Pilot Scheme and roll out.

The legal team (Steven Phillips) have produced initial draft contract. Hope to be completed by Christmas.

If we read and approve we need to get the Pilot Scheme underway.

FDT needs to be completely clear and upfront regarding the selection process of interested householders.

Those selected will be asked to contribute in the form of assisting with one of the FDT schemes and log/blog their experiences of the installation process, usage advantages/disadvantages to their previous system. - This will assist others in making selections for the roll out program.

A clear set of criteria for measurement must first be established - ie. costings, ease of use, heat gains.

Energy officer should also monitor and record details of each installation.

Pilot scheme must ascertain that the figures work out and benefits are gained - subject to external pressures of fuel costs.

With feed in tariffs a consideration - it is suggested that if any money is made by a householders as a result of the new technology, should be ploughed back into FDT to assist with the roll out.

Unfortunately figures for the tariffs will not be available in time for the commencement of the Pilot Scheme.

All Directors to read Andy's document in full and comment.

GC will update JD's new e mail.

Michael Carr.

Michael provided valuable and valid information of the FRESCo report. Fee has been agreed.

Stage 2 - Directors have agreed to push on with draught proofing measures for those who responded to recent survey.

Other items in stage 2 will be put on hold until Pilot scheme is complete after which FDT will reconsider.

Next meeting.

With much to finalise and workload to be distributed - it was decided to meet on Monday 14th December 8pm Fintry Inn.