

FDT Board meeting, Fintry Inn, 8pm, 13/07/10

Present: Kelly McIntyre(Project Manager), Gordon Cowtan, Kayt Howell(Admin), Martin Turner, David Howell, Stephen Strachan (Energy Advisor).

Apologies: Pete Skabara, Jamie Pearson, David Smith, Bill Acton.

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GC ran through previous minutes. Agreements made on notice boards, graphics, and business cards. *KH & GC

Admin forms now available for KM and SS for holidays, expenses etc.

SS ran through his report on activities and research over last week.

This included investigating Bore Hole prices, cost per metre, looking into other alternative installers of ground source heat pumps and their accreditation status. Also looking at available grants for air source, and provision of central local Biomass distribution centre.

On the subject of Biomass the directors discussed the current need and benefits for a central store and the specification and location of the correct type of storage. At the moment it is difficult to assess the need against the current interest in biomass.

SS is looking at biomass installers, their costs and kit. New enthusiastic companies are based reasonably locally and will be investigated further.

SS also looking at the potential relationship with LoCo2 and FDT to work out the details of the partnership given the attractive tariffs being offered.

SS discussed the needs of the Sports Centre and the potential revenue raising options. The directors discussed the energy audits undertaken in the past.***GC** to see if he still has copy of a previous EST report.

KM had provided the Board with an e mail report (12/07/10) which she summarised. -

First week included talking to available board members, settling in,making contacts and setting up appointments. Successful and informative meeting with Daye Tucker, meeting arranged with Rachel Nunn and researching the background to Transport, Allotments, AD, and Woodland Trust projects.

KM's findings regarding transport opened the discussion of a potentially different solution using second hand cars owned by FDT which could be used for the pilot scheme. A maintenance contract with local garage could be established and potentially vehicles would have little depreciation and could be resold if scheme ended. The simplified scheme

could still use the voucher system and have a variety of vehicle types. *KM to look at Moorcars insurance and booking systems and see what flexibility there is to accommodate other options.

Directors also discussed using biofuel for the vehicles in the scheme and the logistics involved.

Other -

Big Tent Event 25th July.

Next Meeting.

Tuesday 27th July. Inn.