



Minutes of FDT Board Meeting - 16/11/11 - Fintry Inn - 7.30pm.

**PRESENT:** Jamie Pearson, Matthew Black (Energy advisor), Christina Pollock (FDT Assistant), Holly O'Donnel, Derek G Hulme, Kelly McIntyre (Project Manager), Gordon Cowtan,, Kayt Howell (Admin), David Howell, Iain Frazer,

**APOLOGIES:** Pete Skabara,

**ACTION \***

WELCOME.

DH welcomed our two new Board Directors Holly O'Donnel and Iain Frazer.

AGM.

The board discussed the recent AGM and agreed to implement some changes for next year mainly in dissemination of information, preparation, setting up of screens etc.

SPORTS CLUB

The Biomass Boiler project for the Sports Club is well underway and considerable paperwork is now being produced as contractors carry out their various tasks. Directors discussed the project and the past decisions and agreements made regarding FDT's role in the funding parts of the project. MB outlined some of the changes that the project had undergone since the original quotes. DH and JP expressed their concerns of not having more information on the terms of the agreements. DGH did a quick summary of the figures available. To clarify - it was agreed that \***MB** arrange a meeting with members of the Club committee to check over figures and agree terms of loans etc. \***DGH,GC,MB,KH**. GC mentioned that the project was exactly the type that FDT should be supporting and promoting. Directors agreed.

Regarding potential RHI payments for the Boiler project - MB referred to his recent e mail which outlined the parameters within which the club could pay back the CES grant and qualify for the RHI payments. The Sports Club intends to raise the repayment amount on its own. The confirmation of the RHI payment details is due within next two weeks.

INSTALLATION LOAN REPAYMENTS

All FDT loans, - given to installers of micro renewables during the last batch of installations in order to assist the householder secure EST loans, - have all been repaid except for one.

Directors discussed the details regarding the non payment and are looking at the options to recover the outstanding amount.

#### FDT GRANTS.

Directors agreed to have the new grant year run fro AGM to AGM and as such will now draw a line under the 32 applications for 2010/2011 and will make available the same amount of grants during this next year. The grants are for sums up to a maximum of £500 and must meet the criteria of the scheme.

#### MOOR CAR

\***CP** to contact to ensure the correct registration numbers are being used for the hire of FEET vehicles.

#### DRAUGHTPROOFING

This project will be on hold until March in the hope of securing CCF funding.

GC explained that KM is ensconced in the current CCF application which must be complete by 02/12/11.and hopes to achieve funding for three years.

#### OPEN DOORS EVENT.

Is taking place over next two week ends. Open invitation to accompany our Energy Advisor on visits to Ground Source , Air Source and Biomass installations around Fintry. Meeting at 2pm at Sports Club.\***MB**

#### FOOTPADS

JP raised the matter of FDT agreeing to act as an umbrella organisation to assist in funding applications for FOOTPADS project - as discussed in the past with Cicely Roy. Directors remain happy to do so.

#### FRESh

\***KM and KH** have begun looking at the overall plans for another Fintry Renewable Energy Show in 2012. The dates will be Friday 9th March and Saturday 10th March. More to follow. \***HO'D** offered to join next meeting to discuss the planning.

#### COMMUNITY GARDEN

\***CP** organising public meeting regarding the project and will forward plans to the directors showing the area under discussion. Directors discussed the potential design of the garden and perhaps involving Beech grove team.

#### AOB

GC suggested discussing and confirming the Board Office bearers at the next meeting.

Next board meeting

21st December 2011. Fintry Inn 7.30pm.

