

FDT board meeting, Menzies Hall, 18/01/11, 7.30pm.

Present: Bill Acton, Martin Turner, Jamie Pearson, David Howell, Stephen Strachan (Energy Advisor) Gordon Murray, Kelly McIntyre (Project Manager) Gordon Cowtan, Kayt Howell (Admin) Derek G Hulme (joined meeting at 9pm)

Apologies: Pete Skabara.

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Directors discussed reserved business.

Energy Advisor

SS asked for the agreed funds to purchase biomass kit to be refunded by install and for the same principle to be applied to Eco living kits as they were now asking for the 75% deposit before commencing. Directors agreed.

SS asked about the hard to treat properties where insulation projects of around £500 were being considered in three homes and would FDT be willing to fund these.

Directors agreed given that the document previously issued to householders had a ceiling limit of 1K.

Project Manager

KM reported on very productive discussions regarding the commissioning of a short film/ DVD for use as a promotional and outreach tool for other communities.

The best solution would appear to be the film maker who has the experience of compiling the Comrie movie.

KM discussed the budget for the work and asked if it was necessary to max out the full funding available in the grant - would that be acceptable.

Directors agreed if it ticked all the needs of the project then that would be fine as the grant needed to be spent soon.

KM suggested that perhaps some of the students from Stirling University may be able to assist on the project with equipment and extra assistance.

The finished piece would be uploaded via You tube and embedded on FDT website as well as duplicated on disc.

MT suggested looking at examples on Green TV for styles and delivery.

KM asked if FDT would stretch to funding a suitable 'Premiere' event as a launch and celebration.Directors agreed.

KM discussed the generous offer through Dobbies to provide trees for our community orchard project. BA suggested KM contact Niall for information on varieties etc. All pleased that this will finally be going ahead and will be of great benefit to the community.

Accounts and Finance.

GC went through invoices from accountant for FDT and FREE accounts.

GC also outlined the measures being taken to provide the correct amount of funding for the remaining period of both SS and KM's contracts.

NEXT MEETING 1st FEBRUARY 7.30 pm FINTRY INN.