



FDT Board Meeting - 23rd November 2010 - Culcreuch Castle Bar 7.30pm.

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

Apologies: Bill Acton, Gordon Murray, Pete Skabara.

***Action**

KH had received a thank you letter from Fintry Community Council for their notice board and extras in the Sports Centre.

Kippen resident

Directors discussed the recent offer of our Energy advisor's assistance to an interested resident in Kippen.

KM suggested that this offered the opportunity for FDT to trial it's outreach and other community links by having the survey and the follow up monitored and recorded by an independent body.***MT** to contact Mark Ruskell.

Directors agreed with this proposal.

SS added that there had already been some advice given to others who were not residents of Fintry.

MT stated that this is reflective of the life cycle and evolution of the development trust and that these issues were generated by the work and expansion of it's role.

Other business.

MT asked SS to contact Blair Drummond Camphill(?) group regarding AD.***MT** to provide further information for Stephen.

MT commented on the FREDs group and the value of SS attending the meetings. Suggested it would be one of few opportunities of this kind for experience.

MT gave KH declaration of interest form for filing. GC explained that all directors have the right to review and once all declarations were in, a file of all should be discussed.

DGH commented that he thought having the audited accounts available at the AGM was a good idea. GC explained the process was complex but the draught accounts were there at the AGM and offered for review and as soon as available all final accounts were accessible on the web site.

DGH suggested a FAQ section on the web site which would alleviate the need for repetition of much of the information required by other communities. Directors agreed. *GC.

Stephen's report.

GC asked the directors if there were any further questions regarding SS's most recent report.

SS reported on some of the issues and challenges regarding the different installers being used by householders, - once more clarifying that the ultimate decision on who each householder chose to carry out the work and installation was the householder and not SS or FDT.

Directors discussed the need for feed back on works to provide future residents, considering renewables, the valuable experience of those who have already installed.

Suggestions included bloggs, web site spread sheets and photo diaries. *SS, KM & GC

Directors discussed the forthcoming announcement regarding RHI.

Agreed that a 'second launch/ update' would be needed in new year to encourage further take up.

Kelly's report.

Again directors were invited to ask about KM's recent report.

KM covered some updates and additional information regarding appointments and meetings. These included the information on the free first use of the council's wood chipper, the DRT bus trip to Kippen, DRT graphics and printing, Car club, and also chasing contacts for filming and producing DVD for outreach use.

GC asked directors if they were happy with him composing letter of agreement for FOOT-PADS.

School fair.

KM, KH and DH would attend. Information and contact details to be available. Banners to be collected from MT.

Banking.

GC explained the sudden change to the online banking process. *DH to sign up to be other online signatory.

KH to be given petty cash to hold for minor costs.

Other.

GC asked about filing needs for SS and KM. *DGH to try and locate 2x4 drawer cabinets. One for KM/SS and one for KH.

Because of the disparate nature of KM's work, it was felt that she should develop a paper file for each project so there was a good record of where each of them has got to.

Menzies Hall meeting postponed until new year.

DH had highlighted that director's indemnity insurance would be needed. *GC to check details and costs.

GC reported minor blip in banking of £7.03. which was being rectified.

Next meeting Tuesday December 7th, 7.30 pm @ Castle.