



Minutes of FDT meeting - 4th November 2009 - Burnbank Cottage 8pm

Present : Gordon Cowtan, David Howell, Martin Turner, Pete Skabara, David Smith. Kayt Howell(Admin)

Apologies: John Duckworth, Alex Ellis, Bill Acton.

Receipt of new junior membership application. KH to check residency / connection to Fintry.

Directors discussed the membership of FDT to Scottish Renewables and the benefits it would bring to the Trust through contacts and information. This is would be particularly relevant to FRESCo. Directors agreed to fund the membership.

The AGM was reviewed and all agreed it had been a successful event this year. One of the needs identified is to engage active members of the Trust to pursue projects of interest.

The most obvious project which has attracted interest directly from the membership and which was discussed at the AGM -is the allotments scheme.

FDT needs to identify members willing to engage in organising and directing these projects. Many of those who attended the AGM would perhaps be the first to approach.

FRESH - Initial discussions on dates for next years show. Preference for June to tie in with Scottish Renewables event. GC to confirm date of event when organising membership.

Notion of combining with the Fling was raised.Fling is scheduled for the 5th of June.

PS mentioned the partnership with Scottish and Southern Electricity and Strathclyde University. This will link with all the renewable research at the University with which Pete would have contact.

FRESCo - Andy Lyle is near completion of his final draft business plan. A presentation to the board is scheduled for the 18th of November. Location to be confirmed.

Directors discussed the value / merits of Double glazing as a potential project consideration following a couple of enquiries from members of the village. Figures available indicate that there is little heat loss difference between single and double glazing. The best way to reduce heat loss is by draught proofing.

GC to speak to Michael Carr re draught proofing measures as discussed before.

MT suggested doing some further research into a new type of 'Energy Monitor' -which are attached to homes to ascertain what type of renewable energy would best suit that home and location. The unit can then be relocated to carry out study of other properties. Each study is best done over a period of a year. MT to send link.

DS ran through the final Transport Survey to be sent out to each home. Suggestion to include two per household, leave extras at Sport Centre and remind people that others can be accessed online. This will then allow feed back from different age groups in each household.

DS will send out reminders through school mailing list to encourage completion.

Next meeting to be for the presentation of Andy Lyle's business plan. Location to be confirmed. (18/11/09)