



FDT meeting - Fintry Inn - 8pm - 29th June 2010.

Present : Bill Acton, Gordon Cowtan, David Smith, Martin Turner, David Howell, Kayt Howell (Admin), Kelly McIntyre (Project Manager).

Apologies: Pete Skabara, Jamie Pearson, Stephen Strachan (Energy Advisor)

New Coalition for Green Communities.

Directors discussed the proposal of new coalition group suggested in e mail by Rachel Nunn of Carbon Neutral Stirling. The idea is interesting but the directors felt they were not in a position to lead new group. Dates for two day discussion/planning are 9th and 10th September. DH to contact Rachel to express support.

Stephen Strachan.

Our new Energy Advisor has taken up residence at the Sports Club and is settling in and making introductions and contacts. KH to forward Members lists and FRESCo lists. Letter of introduction is being hand delivered around village. Stephen on holiday next week for one week. One of his initial tasks is to address the needs of Culcreuch Ave on his return.

Kelly McIntyre.

Kelly officially starts with FDT on Monday 5th June. Kelly's laptop and phone has been organised. FDT I.D. badges needed for Kelly and Stephen. Business cards being organised by GC.

GC to copy Stephen and Kelly in on distribution of SR news letters and KH to forward New Energy Focus.

Kelly to be met at Sports Centre on Monday at 9.30 am.

Admin Review.

This is due to take place on the first Tuesday of September (7th). The post has changed and expanded since first undertaken and the review is intended to address the effect of these changes beginning with the job description as prepared earlier by KH.

Communication.

Given that there remains an element of misunderstanding and rumour surrounding how the Trust came into existence and that the aims and objectives are not always understood by all, or read from web site, efforts are to be made to improve communication with the community through Stephen and Kelly's work, e mailing and notice boards.

Despite the disappointment of some recent negativity, the Directors are aware that the majority of the village is supportive and this should remain the focus.

School Project

DS was invited to present the next phase of the school project - the Woodland area. DS has already committed to beginning the project through other funding and has requested assistance from FDT where possible.

DS was asked to leave the group while the remainder discussed how the project fitted with the aims of FDT and benefited the community as well as the school children.

In summary the Board agreed to offer the remainder of the CCF funding after FRESH should - CCF agree. Figure currently unknown until costs are finalised. The Board require an understanding of the funding/viability of the project and details of the leasing agreement. FDT are to be given recognition of contribution by a plaque or similar. DS to remain involved in all other aspects of FDT. Due to other pressures this will be the last available funding for the school for a five year period.

Transport.

The Dial -a - Bus system and costs were discussed. The publicity of the system is lacking and the the directors agreed that the e mail leaflet prepared by JP should be circulated around the various community lists.

JP is trying to promote use of the system and is keen to involve a 'liaison officer' within the community.

Directors discussed the introduction of the Moorcars scheme. It was agreed there was an experimental element to this project and as such Kelly would be looking into the scheme to analyse the details and costs. The project research should reach a viability point to enable launch at the AGM in October.

Further discussion by directors on expectations, reputation, spending and budgeting issues.

Next Meeting - 13th June .Fintry Inn. 8 pm.