

Gargunnoch Community Trust Directors Meeting Thursday 21 April 2016

Present

Douglas Coupethwaite, Stuart Ogg, Douglas Johnston, Edmond Mansion, Elizabeth Mansion; Jackie Campbell, Anne Dando, Geoff Peart

Apologies

Marilyn Willet, Gilly Bruce, Jane Bain

Minutes of previous meeting - Approved.

Actions from previous meetings

The previous actions were discussed and action list reviewed. New status of previously agreed actions, following meeting on 21 April are included in Action List at end of minutes.

Company Secretary Report

No report.

Updated Memorandum and Articles of Association to be submitted to OSCR.

Finance Report

Douglas J presented the current financial position see below.

Gargunnoch Community Trust Ltd		
Financial Report 20 April 2016		
Main Account		Notes
Opening balance (01/04/16)	£4,058.90	
Income to 01/04/16	£60.40	
Expenditure to 01/04/16	£122.00	
Current Balance	£3,997.30	
Project Account		
Opening Balance 01/03/16	£2,807.71	£293 posted in error to this account transferred 18/04/16
Income to 01/02/16	£323.25	
Expenditure to 01/04/16	£203.40	
Current Balance	£2,927.56	
Community Centre Account		
Opening balance 01/03/16	£10,689.42	Value of outstanding invoices £1,029.50
Income to 01/04/16	£457.27	Value of outstanding cheques £1,694.05
Expenditure to date	£502	Posted in error to be returned to Project account £293.00
Current balance	£10,644.69	
Other matters to note Community Centre Management Committee Account Balance	£4,562.14	

Key points highlighted:

- The current balance was the lowest part of the quarter there are invoices outstanding for around £3000.
- A further 400 bricks have been ordered to complete the line.
- It is estimated that around £5,000 will be spent on the Drop in centre over the summer.

Community Centre Update

Everything seems to be working well, it was reported that there were now quite a few new one off bookings for events/parties etc. so there may need to be a change in the licence, however it was agreed that the neighbours would be consulted first. Douglas C agreed to follow up.

Glebe Land

Trust solicitor had considered working from both parties in transfer of land to Trust, however situation uncertain due to potential conflict. Mr Young, Trustee of the GVDIA is supportive of this arrangement. It was agreed that Edmond would contact the solicitor.

Windfarm Update

Geoff explained that the mediation process which took place on 1 March 2016 with the other 5 communities involved had failed. The windfarm developer now intends to divide the shares of community benefit up equally between the 6 communities until such time as there is an alternative agreement between the communities. This remained their position despite a paper prepared by Geoff argued strongly for a different approach, however Falk the developers agreed to review the position and come back with a view, as yet this has not happened. For information, Geoff to circulate his paper to Trust Members.

It is anticipated that the windfarm will come on stream at the end of April and it is likely that the developers will hold onto the community benefit monies until there has been a final resolution.

It was agreed that Douglas C would assess the status of the windfarm and if it was felt appropriate would go back to Falk.

Newsletter

Another successful edition published and is currently being circulated.

Conversion of Trust to SCIO

Anne Knox had suggested that this was something the Trust may wish to consider as a possible legal structure. The meeting agreed to consider this idea at a later date once more information was available.

AGM

The AGM will be held on 28 April 2016 at 8pm at the Community Centre. Draft agenda discussed and final version agreed. Ann to send out a note to users to encourage attendance.

AOB

Contact list of Directors to be developed.

Date of Next Trust Meeting

Thursday 9 June 2016 8.00pm at the Community Centre.

Future dates are:

Thursday 28 April 2016 AGM

Thursday 9 June 2016

Thursday 22 September 2016

Thursday 24 November 2016

ACTION LIST			
Date	Action	Responsibility	Status at 21 April
October 2015	Contact Caroline Lowther to see whether she would prefer the bench commemorating her father should be placed in the Community Centre garden as this might be more appropriate	Douglas C	Ongoing
	Options paper setting out how Windfarm monies could be administered to be prepared	Geoff	Ongoing
	Collate all the existing reports/survey results regarding strategic projects already identified in relation to Wind farm monies.	Geoff	Collated in Dropbox
February 2016	Refurbish aspects of Drop In Centre during the summer	Douglas C and Douglas J	Ongoing
	Douglas J to check position regarding accounts for tax and submission to HMRC.	Douglas J	Complete
	Douglas J to submit accounts by end of March 2016	Douglas J	Complete
	Plans to refurbish aspects of Drop In Centre during the summer, brief to be drawn up. Some of the paintwork in the Community Centre needs attention.	Douglas J	Douglas C to discuss with Steve
	Follow up meeting with church re: use of Community Centre	Douglas C, Douglas J and Elizabeth	Ongoing
	Changes to Memorandum to be consolidated so that can be submitted to OSCR	Edmond	Completed
	Meeting with Catherine Martin, Manager with Windfarm developer	Geoff and Douglas C	Ongoing
April 2016	Resolve Dropbox issues	Edmond	
	Memorandum and Articles of Association to be submitted to OSCR by Company Secretary	Jane	
	Paper arguing case for alternative distribution of community benefit funds to be circulated to Trust Members	Geoff	
	Assess status of windfarm and if appropriate contact Falk	Douglas C	
	Contact to be made with neighbours re: possible licence extension	Douglas C	
	Contact Trust solicitor re: transfer of Glebe land to Trust	Edmond	
	Contact list of Directors to be developed.	?	