

Gargunock Community Trust Directors Meeting

Thursday 1 February 2018

Present

Douglas Johnston, , David King, Gavin Fleming, Jeremy Wilkinson, Stuart Ogg, Edmond Mansion, Jackie Campbell, Iain Gulland,

Apologies

Geoff Peart, Lovat MacGregor, Mike Pizey, Elizabeth Mansion

Minutes of Previous Meeting Thursday 7 December 2017 - Approved.

Follow up actions

- Jeremy followed up with OSCR to check whether they had received updated Articles of Association including the change agreed in 2014. Currently waiting to hear, while a further set would be signed and readied for despatch if required.
- Freezer in kitchen sorted.
- Sycamore tree will be cut down at weekend then needs helpers to cut up for sale of wood.
- Question mark over the community council text on website follow up with Lovat.
- Boiler now been serviced
- Wheelie bin uncertain
- Glebe land on agenda
- OLZ on agenda
- DTAS Gargunock Community Trust should be on their web site.

Annual Accounts

Douglas J outlined key changes in annual accounts which were duly approved.

Gargunock Community Trust Windfarm Funding decisions

All the funding panel recommendations were considered and approved with the following conditions.

GWF 6/17 OLZ

The Trust approved the release of the outstanding £9,000 previously approved and up to an additional £5,000 to allow the OLZ project to go ahead with the following conditions:

1. Any funding raised by the Parent Council for the OLZ after the start date of the project up to the end of July 2018 will be returned to the Windfarm Fund should it is not required to complete the OLZ project.
2. The Parent Council will provide a minimum of £4,000 as a contribution to a sinking fund for the maintenance of the OLZ. This funding will be held as Restricted Funds by the Trust.
3. The Trust will act as agent for the Parent Council for the manufacture and erection of the OLZ so the building contract will be signed by the Trust.
4. The Trust will effectively own the OLZ either on land leased at a nominal rent from the Council or a licence to occupy.

5. The Parent Council and Gargunnock Community Trust will enter into a Minute of Agreement which confirms that the Parent Council will manage the OLZ in conjunction with the School.
6. The Trust will extend its current insurance arrangements to cover the building however this will not cover any liability for children or teachers using the OLZ.
7. The Parent Council will secure all necessary permissions from the School and Stirling Council to allow the OLZ to be erected in the School grounds and these will be in place before the contract for manufacture and erection of the structure has been signed by the Trust.
8. The Parent Council will ensure appropriate neighbour consultation takes place before the contract for the manufacture and erection of the structure is signed by the Trust and evidence of this consultation must be recorded by the Parent Council and presented to the Trust.

GWF 1/18 Community Centre Stage

The Trust approved the release of £1,563.45 for the purchase of additional staging for the Community Centre following a request from the Songsters. This will be for the purchase of additional staging to make it safer for more people to be on the stage at any one time.

GWF 2/18 Community Sound System

The Trust agreed that should it be necessary up to £300 could be invested in a technical assessment for extending the existing sound system following an approach made by the Gala Committee.

GWF 5/18 Guides Residential Trip

The Trust approved the investment of up to £1,100 depending on need to support the Girl Guides trip to provide a more dynamic and exciting experience. The funding will be released on receipt of relevant quotes for the costs associated with the trip.

GWF 5/18 Footbridge Maintenance

The Trust approved the investment of £300 for materials for the repainting of the footbridge on condition that Stirling Council is consulted and the Community Council can provide insurance cover. (The potential of the Community Council providing insurance cover is being investigated by Edmond Mansion.)

GWF 5/18 Gargunnock Old people's Welfare Committee

The Trust approved the investment of £1000 and agreed that they should apply for the remaining £500 later in the year if they are unable to raise this amount through other means.

Gargunnock Wind Farm funding presentation

Douglas J provided a preview of the presentation to be given at the Inverness event sponsored by Falck. Douglas and Jeremy would represent Gargunnock Community Trust.

Future Projects

Possible new legacy projects for future funding include:

1. Glebe land

2. Beeches footpath - Edmond agreed to get together with Jeremy and David with other interested individuals to work out possible options possibly involving Paths for All and Stirling Council's Access Officer.
3. Local paths in village
4. Fountain/Square focused on heritage – Jeremy agreed to speak to contact in Stirling Council.
5. Renew bus shelter – the new one at Kippen was mentioned as being something to aspire to.
6. Gavin explained he had again written to the Meiklewood estate about developing a footpath across existing historic bridge but had received a negative response. This could be taken up with Stirling Council's Access Officer and Paths for All.

It was agreed that these ideas should be discussed at an open evening possibly linked to AGM.

Action

Stuart to prepare short note on successful applications for Bugle by 23rd February.

Agreed that there should be a focused meeting on the future use of the Glebe Land. Date to be agreed.

Community Centre update

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It was agreed that Jackie and Douglas would meet with Carol to discuss allocated hours/budget.

Trust Membership and AGM

Jackie noted her decision to stand down as a Trustee at the next AGM but would remain a member. It was agreed that it would be important to canvass for possible new Trustees.

Date of AGM to be changed to 19 June 2018 at 7.30pm, Stuart to contact Carol.

Financial Update

Douglas provided an update on the current management accounts. Key points to note were that income for the 6 months was down by £1000 compared to same period last year.

Action

It was agreed that marketing the Centre would be discussed with Carol.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Future Meeting Dates:

22 March 2018

17 May 2018

19 June 2018 AGM date

23 August 2018

11 October 2018 (to miss School half term)

13 December 2018