

**Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting**

**Thursday 18th May 2017, 18:00, at Strathearn Artspace, Comrie Street, Crieff**

**Present** Ailsa Campbell (AC) Chair, Mirela McInnes (MM), James Anderson (JM), Charles Crookshank (CC), Ian Christie (IC), Peter Littwin (PL), Gil Martin (GM), Rona McCarra (RM) Minutetaker

**In Attendance** Claire Sanville

**1 Previous Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted by all.

**2 Matters Arising**

No matters arising

**3 Admission of New Members**

PL and GM reconfirmed

JA and AR reinstated

**4 Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

The board is asked to declare when/if this becomes relevant. JA is now a Director of the charity Cycling Scotland – Transport and Engineering.

**5 Treasurer's Report**

The Financial Summary is up to the 31 March. The Treasurer's Report given at the AGM is available on the website. MM will share a Google app with the Board which will allow straightforward document sharing and the ability to read and comment in a concise way. "classroom" in it will be a folder of membership

**6 Membership**

Three new applications for full memberships have been received and approved. AR information – there are a number of people on the membership list whose addresses need to be updated. We are delighted that we have recruited a Secretary. The new secretary and Robert Bone will be assisting AC with membership protocol.

**7 Group Reports**

**Town Centre**

(I) **Drummond Arms:** A group met on 20 April to discuss creating affordable housing and accommodation in the Drummond Arms. Planning permission was previously awarded for 17 low cost housing units. It has since lapsed. (II) **Old St Michaels.** After the Options Appraisal meeting at the end of April, the group was reassured by CCT support. A Steering Group of 8 has been appointed with Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. Bank account and SCIO in process. Waiting for charitable status. Some slight exterior damage was sustained recently and the priority is to make the building watertight again. PKC officer Kirsty Scott, Greenspace Ranger is responsible for the churchyard and PKC are cutting the grass. The group is looking to hold an event, and June McEwan is looking to do something collaborative around Doors Open Day, with the grounds only. The group has been advised to wait until December before seeking possession.

(III) **Co-working space.** Two information sessions were held on Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> April. Ailsa gave a brief presentation providing a bit of background to CCT's efforts and goals for co-working in Crieff. Everyone was also given a tour of the space. People were asked if they wanted to be part of the steering group. On 16<sup>th</sup> May George Boyle came to Crieff to meet with the people interested in getting the co-working space off the ground. George is going to do sketches of different space scenarios and costings. The legal structure was discussed. It was agreed the best way is a Community Interest Company which has Company Limited by Guarantee status. Mirela, Allan Lorden and Ailsa agreed to set up the CIC with advice from Senscot.

#### **8 Paths Group**

Signs have been erected. Management plan proceeding. Key things in the short term are – volunteers for Himalayan Balsam culling, before the flowering season. This has to be done for three consecutive years.

#### **9 Roles and sharing responsibilities**

This is postponed until the new Secretary is in place.

#### **10 A.O.B**

CCT attendance at CCC meetings. There was a suggestion to institute a rota for this. This could be achieved on Google Classroom. MM will post it, for each member to show availability.