

# Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting 7pm, 24 March 2022 By dial in

**Present:** Ailsa Campbell (AC), Ian Christie (IC), Jane White (JW), Jim Anderson (JA), Ann Ross (AR), Claire Sanville (CS)

**Apologies:** Paula Brown (PB)

#### 1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest None

#### 2. Approval of Previous Minutes

The minutes of the February board meeting had been previously circulated and were approved as a true and accurate record.

## 3. Matters Arising

Action	Ву
Is it possible to have an automatic thank you receipt for donations?	JW - discussing with Kona
Catch up with TP to check in on Business Club. Meet with SA in the New Year.	AC - date agreed in April
Full access to bank account. Find unused cheque books and destroy.	Done JW
Finalise PKC micro grant figures.	JW/CS done
Friday afternoon 4.3.22 2pm path walk	All
DARL director's insurance / Public liability insurance	ıc
Joint DARL and CCT meeting needed	done
Write and circulate ads for new members and board members	JW/AC/AR - done

#### 4. Live funds update

- Scotland Loves Local application submitted with Andy Clegg @PKC to repair Murray Fountain. Accepted offer. Received £15,000.
- PKC CECF applied for £10,000 for fountain refurb.
- PKC LEADER Testing grant -granted £5,000 to support launch of Uniting Crieff forum. **first half of funds claimed** and mid March
- **5. Treasurer's Report -** CS submitted update prior to meeting

# **Paths -** JA submitted a report prior to the meeting

**TBW** 

- a) There was a problem with the voluntary registration of the estate however their solicitor (Thorntons in Perth) has advised that it has been sorted and they would be responding shortly to our solicitor re her draft title transfer for the disused railway.
- b) The bench was delivered and following our site visit the location at TBW has been agreed. It was to be installed Tuesday 22 Mar by Ian and Jim, but that has had to be postponed to next week.
- c) Planning application has yet to be validated by PKC Planning.
- d) End of Feb high winds tore a branch off an oak tree at Meadow 1 which landed on Mr D Sinclair's shed at 8 Angus Crescent. TDTrees Ltd were contacted and they removed the branch (Friday 18 th ) and advised that the oak tree did not appear to be a further risk.
- e) 17 Mar.'22 TD Tree & Damp; Land Services Ltd quoted £950 plus vat to carry out a new survey of the condition of the trees on the disused railway line. As we anticipate gaining title to this area shortly as part of our proposal to form a link path from TBW to rest of LMW CCT require such a survey to safeguard any users of the additional land. At the same time TDT will check the condition of the trees along the property line to the north of TBW to safeguard against a reoccurrence of the branch falling at No 8 Angus Crescent. (Shed now repaired.) That said it must be acknowledged the oak at No 8 Angus Crescent was NOT identified as a threat by TDT ( or by Messrs Schad who recently carried out some trimming of overhanging branches for Mr Sinclair and confirmed that the oak was in good health).
- f) As the survey is necessary to allow development of a link path from TBW to LMW CCT approved the decision that it is suitable to qualify as valid expenditure from the Small Trust Account. It will be part of the necessary expenditure to open the improved access link path for the benefit of the whole community.
- g) Old fence wires should be removed from the top of the embankment. Working party to do this shortly.

#### Crieff Paths Group

Discussion with Calum re desirability of installing anti-slip strips across the wooden bridge over the railway cutting – very slippy access to LMW. If PKC provide the strips then Paths Group will probably agree to fix them.

Crieff to Comrie Core Path CMRI/126.

PKC's planning application dated 2 Dec.'21 is now available to view on line (Use reference number 21/02160/FLL to search)

https://planningapps.pkc.gov.uk/online-

applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application

#### 7. **Drummond Arms -**

- Site visit took place with PKC/ CCT/DARL to inspect the inside of the building 22/3/22.
- PKC to see if further funding can be found to remove asbestos from roof and inspect roof whilst contractors are on site.
- Going forwards SO will look for new funding.
- 8. **Can Do Crieff -** steady stream of interest and new members.
- 9. **CAP/ UC forum -** good progress has been made with developing the UC forum. A joint statement of interest for an enabling sports fund has been created by the group evidence of the power of working together. A joint application to the new ICF is being considered to support community group users of the CC café. The community calendar and facilities log will be added to the website soon.

Posters to advertise UC calendar - UC window in DA?

**10. Fountain -** work to improve the aesthetic appeal of the Square has begun. CCT are supporting a joint clearing and planting session with Crieff in Leaf and countryside rangers all day from 10am on 7 April. Discussion ongoing about whether to bring water back, but fountain to be cleaned in the meantime.

#### 11. Governance

AC shared structure of current situation and where we want to be. Succession planning is important. Rotating chair for 3 years? Vice chair who will step up to chair? We need more people to help us on projects, bigger picture people and non-execs to help us with strategy and specific issues. We are going to have to be more forceful and approach people.

- Board function
- Projects
- Non-exec support

# Plan for 2022 - April updates / May report and accounts/ 16 June AGM at 6pm

## AOB

Action	Ву
Public liability insurance - check in place for DA and when renewal is due	IC

Next meeting 7 pm Thursday 21 April 2022