



## CRIEFFCOMMUNITYTRUST

### Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting 7pm, 21 April 2022 By dial in

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

**Apologies:** Claire Sanville (CS), Paula Brown (PB)

**1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest** None

**2. Approval of Previous Minutes**

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

**3. Matters Arising**

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Is it possible to have an automatic thank you receipt for donations?	<b>JW</b> - discussed with Kona, not possible
Find unused cheque books and destroy.	<b>JW</b>
Public liability insurance - check in place for DA and when renewal is due.	<b>IC</b> - as long as contractor is in place, they are responsible for PL. Director's insurance is in place due Nov. PL will be taken over by DARL once no other work is taking place. DARL Accounts due end May.

**4. Live funds update**

- Scotland Loves Local - application submitted with Andy Clegg @PKC to repair Murray Fountain. Accepted offer. Received £15,000.
- PKC CECF accepted £10,000 for fountain refurb.
- PKC LEADER Testing grant -claimed £5,000 to support launch of Uniting Crieff forum. Report submitted.

**5. Treasurer's Report** - CS submitted update prior to meeting

- Buzz Sprout - cancel for time being **AC**

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

**Turretbank Wood [TBW]**

- a) Our solicitor is chasing Thorntons for progress on the transfer of title.
- b) The bench has been installed thanks to the efforts of Ian and Hamish.
- c) Awaiting call back from PKC Planning Department re progress of Scottish Water's Planning Application.
- d) The fallen branch at 8 Angus Crescent in February's stormy weather has been removed and Mr Sinclair's shed has been repaired. TDTrees Ltd removed the branch (Friday 18 th March) and advised that the oak tree did not appear to be a further risk.

e) TD Tree & Land Services Ltd's quote (£950 plus vat) to carry out a new survey of the condition of the trees on the disused railway line was accepted and the work is due to be carried out later this month – timing TBA.

(f) Coop funded Bench - Perth Prison (Scott McKenna) has advised that they are undergoing reorganisation at present but he hopes his workshops will not be affected. He further explained that no money can change hands so the arrangement will be: once the reorganisation aspects are clarified he will send CCT some bench designs; we chose and supply them with the necessary timber; they build the bench; we collect. Looks like a good arrangement – labour free bench for CCT and something useful and worthwhile for the inmates.

### **Crieff Paths Group**

Discussions with Countryside Ranger re this year's Paths Group activities – meeting to organise events scheduled - TBA.

The application for the annual PKC £150 grant for paths groups is due to be submitted in April. Calum will remind CCT at the time.

Strips have been put in place halfway across the bridge on the path in TBW.

### **Crieff to Comrie Core Path CMRI/126.**

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

<https://planningapps.pkc.gov.uk/online-applications/search.do?action=simple&searchType=Application>

Jane Pritchard has retired and David Hammett is the main contact point.

Next meeting of Project Group Meeting is Wednesday 27 Apr.'22

## **7. Drummond Arms - IC submitted a report prior to the meeting**

In March 2022 DARL purchased the former RBS building utilising grant support from PKC Place Based Investment Fund. This is a significant achievement for DARL and hugely increases development opportunities and options.

"Phase 1" of the project was winding down in March 2022 as the original £600k grant was exhausted. However, reclaimed VAT claims and the additional £50k from PKC Place Based Investment Fund, awarded in November 2021, have kept DARL in funds to retain Kinetic on site for April and May

An additional £200k from PKC Place Based Investment Fund was awarded 29 March 2022. This new injection of funding has enabled the professional team to consider more robust asbestos removal options for the roof structure and bracing solutions for the main former hotel building.

The £10k grant from the Open for Business Fund has been used (with a £10k contribution from DARL) to add window coverings to the DA building (and remove buddleia). Some of these window displays will be back lit. We are still waiting for EON to reactivate electrical power to the building and some tidying up of the installation will happen in the next two weeks.

Given the progress with the project works to date PKC officers have confirmed the Drummond Arms Regeneration Project is something they are committed to support with future grant awards.

SO will be putting together Expressions of Interest to both the new Heritage & Place Programme and the National Lottery Grants for Heritage programme. Submission support seminars are scheduled for the end of April and mid May.

## **8. Can Do Crieff**

Steady stream of interest and new members. New members come through Google. Planning to promote through Google and promotional material capturing Google reviews. Light touch management at the moment.

The Business Club was just 3 people in the end. Can now offer services to startups as one off.

Lease expires in Oct 2024 - should revisit this autumn. Discussion around possible sites.

9. **CAP/ UC forum** - further progress has been made with developing the UC forum. Funding for our facilitator expires this month. CCT is grateful for her diligence and determination in supporting the early stages of the forum. Meetings have been generally well supported and there is enthusiasm for quarterly forums to share ideas and support. A joint statement of interest for an enabling sports fund has been submitted and approved to be developed to the final stage of a funding application - evidence of the power of working together.

A joint application to the new ICF is being developed to support community group users of the CC café.

The community calendar and facilities log are live on the UC website and need promotion.

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

### 11. Governance

New potential board member has a lot to offer and a different perspective.

Proposing a 'sales' brochure focussing on the paths and other projects to satisfy companies ESG and explaining the role and importance of CCT in Crieff.

Champagne and canapés at Distillery in early June as a board recruitment process and presentation.

**Plan for 2022 - April updates / May report and accounts/ 15 June AGM at 6pm**

### AOB

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Cancel Buzzsprout	AC

**Next meeting 7 pm Thursday 19 May 2022 on Zoom**