



CRIEFFCOMMUNITYTRUST

Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting 7pm, 11 August 2022 on Zoom

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

Apologies

Ian Christie (IC)

- 1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest** None and Conflict of Interest policy approved.
- 2. Approval of Previous Minutes**
The minutes of the June board meeting had been previously circulated and were approved as a true and accurate record.
- 3. Matters Arising**

Action	By
Find unused cheque books and destroy.	JW - done
Check if new ICF is open for applications	JW - done
Promote UC calendar / facilities	JW - to do
Organise next UC forum	JW - to do
Publicise AGM date - SH, Quair, members, website include Zoom details	JW - done
Sort out voting order for board directors	AR/JW - done
2021 AGM minutes - check and print out	JW - done
Treasurer handover	CS/ JW - ongoing

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.
- Arnold Clark Community Fund - received £1000 for info boards for Drummond.
- Joint ICF application for Community Cafe with Remake and Crieff Connexions submitted.
- Gannochy (development manager) applications submitted for late September grant meeting.
- Sustrans (link path and tree management) Paths for Everyone rejected.
- Paths for All new IFPF looks very promising. Have contacted them for a discussion prior to submitting an EOI and JA and JW to attend a briefing day in September.

5. Treasurer's Report - CS/JW submitted update prior to meeting
CS and JW to organise hand over of treasurer role.

6 Paths - JA submitted a report prior to the meeting

TBW:

After a further delay whilst Thorntons sought clarification of their fee structure for the transfer of title we appear to be going forward again on the original basis. Our solicitor Sandra is now checking ownership of the wooden bridge over the railway cutting to verify if it is owned by PKC. [Note: PKC recently refused to install or supply slip strips at the footbridge over the Turret at the Glenturret Distillery as PKC insist it is owned by the Distillery. However when asked by CCT to address the slip hazard at LMW over the cutting, PKC have just spent £1000 installing slip strips on the wooden bridge over the disused railway.]

Sustrans "Places for Everyone" has rejected our application for funding to build a link path TBW/LMW on the basis that: it did not meet the aim of "increasing and diversifying the number of trips made by walking, wheeling for everyday journeys" as CCT's proposed project is more leisure – focused. The feedback meeting with Sustrans on Wednesday explored this further and we pointed out it ticked all their boxes traffic free, family cycling away from traffic, less mobile walk at own pace, local communities local pathsbut basically they rejected our application as it is perceived to be leisure focused.

Scottish Water work commenced and is scheduled to last 6 months (but appears to being behind schedule?). Agreed to review location of bench partway through their workscope once they construct the new outfall walls to check sightlines and aesthetics of new bench location.

TD Tree & Land Services Ltd's offer to carry out the tree maintenance work identified in their recent Report (modified to remove rather than simply observe the ash trees) is priced at £3660 plus vat £732 = £4392. RTS have not yet supplied an offer. [Note the original enquiry to RTS was dated 8 Jun.'22. After chasing them an additional copy of the Report was provided to RTS on 1 Aug.'22.] Tenders invited from TD Trees and RTS to carry out the works required in that Report (tender for Part 2 based on removal of Ash trees rather than observe as assessed lifespan of those trees was identified as very short).

Coop funded Bench - Perth Prison (Scott McKenna) continues to be difficult to contact. We will focus instead on a picnic table for siting in either Meadow 1 or 2.

Seven sessions to remove Balsam have been completed - two small areas remain and will be targeted this week (some seed pods now very close to being mature).

Met the son of the owner of a property on Angus Crescent on 28 Jun.'22 to review his concerns re. the TBW trees at bottom of his father's garden. TDT's recent survey did not identify any concerns – review when maintenance of other trees is underway.

Crieff Paths Group

Unfortunately our Countryside Ranger (Calum) has changed roles within PKC Greenspace Team. Our new Countryside Ranger is Athol Curtis – phoned and emailed but not met up with him as yet.

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

Building Update

External scaffolding has finally been removed.

The additional internal scaffolding works should be completed by Friday 5th Aug in preparation for the structural steelwork starting 8th August. This will last four-five weeks before the asbestos works commence w/c 12th September.

It was agreed that the cheaper option of temporary bracing should be applied. There is a risk that if the permanent solution was chosen it might either dictate the final design of the interior, or worse, not be able to be used at all and have to be replaced.

Grant applications

Recent Area wide Expression of Interest submitted to Historic Environment Scotland's Heritage & Place Programme, and the National Lottery's Grants for Heritage programme via Perth and Kinross Council. £15.7m total applied for by PKC with £4m "ask" for DA. It was made clear that part of any funding received would go towards the cost of the project co-ordinator. PKC have advised that the application has been moved onto the next stage, in other words they are still in the race.

Other

Accounts, VAT claims and Companies House Statement - all up to date.

8. **Can Do Crieff**

Continues to deliver useful surplus funds above rental payment.

9. **CAP/ UC forum**

Joint application to ICF for Community Cafe with CCT as lead submitted.

Need to organise a forum in September and promote UC calendar and listings.

10. **Fountain**

No further update. JW meeting with Susan Whyte - new PKC project manager wc 22.8

11. **Governance / CCT**

New board member to be asked to provide CV and expression of interest.

2021-2022 accounts and annual report approved by board.

Share Annual report with members, post on website and promote in press Quair/SH.

AOB

Next year's AGM - propose to change the constitution to recognise change in our accounting practice. As our accounts are now being professionally prepared from a fully reconciled Xero trail it is felt that there is no need for a further audit, as currently required by our constitution.

Action	By
Share Annual Report with members, post on website and promote in press Quair/SH.	JW
OSCR and Companies House submissions and changes	JW
Purchase picnic bench with CoOp money for meadow 1 or 2	JA
Treasurer handover	CS/ JW - ongoing
Uniting Crieff forum - organise for September	JW
Promote UC to community and sort out DA display board	JW
Invite proposed new board member to submit CV and expression of interest	AC

Next meeting- Thursday 15 September by Zoom