

Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting 7pm, 16 February 2023 on Zoom

Present: Ailsa Campbell (AC), Jane White (JW), Jim Anderson (JA), Claire Sanville (CS), Ian Christie (IC), Brian McVey (BM), Ann Ross (AR), David McCann (DM)

1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest JA is a director of TP&E, who are quoting for the path design contract.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes

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

3. Matters Arising

Action	Ву
Brief CDC members about fire safety measures and include links to online accident/incident reporting forms when received from SA	JW/ DM ongoing
Report back to the board with thoughts on how to maximize the occupancy of CDC.	DM - done tbd
If chopped wood left in TBW beginning of February, we will chop smaller and offer up one Saturday.	Just leave
Offer to fund new litterpickers for Community Garden from PKC money	No need
Potential fundraisers - eg calendar	All
Look into what we have to do to keep ourselves right for GDPR /data protection with our membership database	JW - DTAS advice taken
Write to Guilds/organisations etc. to ask to be included in their programme of speakers	JW ongoing
Look at skills matrix and identify gaps in board	BMcV begun

4. Live funds update

- Scotland Loves Local application submitted with Andy Clegg @PKC to repair Murray Fountain. Accepted offer. Received £15,000. **PKC to invoice shortly.**
- PKC CECF accepted £10,000 for fountain refurb.
- Arnold Clark Community Fund received £1000 for info boards for Drummond.
 Received offer of £1900 from PKC 'Open for Business' for matched funding to improve external look of 'wee shop'. Extended to end Sept.

- Joint ICF application for Community Cafe with Remake and Crieff Connexions submitted. Unsuccessful. Action regroup with others and discuss way forward
- Gannochy (development manager) application partially successful, received £15,000 towards salary costs for a year subject to receiving other matched funding. Will be taking this up from April together with other funding.
- Application submitted to Inspiring Scotland for remaining costs of dev manager costs till March 23 was unsuccessful. Application to CLLD to pay 100% x 14 weeks x .7 salary successful. David McCann appointed and welcomed to this first board meeting.
- Application partially successful to Garfield Weston Foundation for help with core costs. £5,000 unlimited funding for a year. Must report back by 12.1.23.
- EOI submitted to Paths for All new IFPF. Full application in progress
- Application to CLLD approved for tree maintenance/link path design successful if matched funding for both sections. Initial rework of £9,392 funding approved. Money no longer needed for link path design match funding. CLLD have suggested we can keep this funding if spend on other CAP projects. Extra £600 for tree work -> c.£5,000 spent leaving £4,392 for other CAP projects = more tree maintenance and wee shop window.
- Submitted application to The Fore's next funding round for £27,000 over 3 years.
- 5. Treasurer's Report JW submitted update prior to meeting CS and JW tried to organise hand over of treasurer role to permit access to full bank account but failed. CS to remain as admin on account. Makes sense to have 2 people with access.

6 Paths - JA submitted a report prior to the meeting *Turretbank Wood [TBW]*

Activity on transfer of title continues very slowly. PKC (Andy Clegg) provided plan of start of LMW coloured to identify PKC property. This plan shows that timber bridge over the cutting is regarded by PKC as their asset.

Very productive meeting [17 Jan] with Paths for All and JW and JA. Way forward discussed and preferred approach outlined. CCT now pressing for 3 quotes and it was agreed with Paths for All that the pro bono option is not suitable as CCT will have less control over work carried out and would only need the money if grant is approved to provide the money. Pointed out lawyers working (slowly) on transfer of title.

- TPE provided a quote and subsequently met CCT on site [25 Jan] to review the project.
- Waterman also visited site [31 Jan] and offered to carry out a pro-bono feasibility study followed by a quote for carrying out a design of the scheme.

JA and JW to submit draft application to IFPF.

TD Tree & Land Services completed the tree maintenance work at TBW [20 Jan] and tendered for follow up work a) in Meadow 1 where broken branch at height to be made safe; and b) at western end of LMW where ash dieback trees need to be removed. Funding secured from CLLD but work to be completed this financial year. Ochtertyre Estate have given approval for CCT to remove [at CCT risk] the ash dieback affected trees at end of LMW despite the legal transfer of title to CCT not yet completed. Vehicle access for TD Trees Ltd along to this site to be secured. Search for keeper of keys to last gate along west end of Laggan Road single lane extension has identified Douglas McCartney (the shepherd Dexi) who will provide a key later this week. No current activity from Scottish Water so far this year – work required when they return

- a) complete raising manhole earthworks
- b) provide beech hedging
- c) provide the bench.

Coop funded Bench – Bench to be purchased for siting in Meadow 2 – Action outstanding.

Crieff Paths Group

Six volunteers of the paths group met up the Knock [28 Jan] and cleared broom. Good

session with the Countryside Ranger.

We will lend our annual PKC £500 grant to another group and next year we will get their £500 to make a £1000 purchase possible.

7. Drummond Arms (IC submitted a report prior to meeting)

DARL have been successful with a CLLD award of £110,000. Need to spend (or contract to spend) this money by March 15 2023.

The focus for the £110,000 is around safety. Parts of the roof are at risk of collapse and although we have internal propping it is felt that our new budget will most effectively be spent on an external scaffolding structure protecting the front elevation of the building (High Street). This will help do six things:

- 1. Provide debris protection to the high street pavement area.
- 2. Allow us to apply to move the bus stop immediately outside the 'front door' of former hotel building.
- 3. Provide external access to the roof for inspection and future works.
- 4. (With the right design) The scaffolding structure will add integrity to the building fabric.
- 5. Netting or / and a 'wrap' for the structure will provide a very visual way of informing local people that we are working to regenerate this building. It will also be used to announce the Crowdfunding initiative.
- 6. Pay for inspection of both new (external) and existing (internal) scaffolding structures.

8. Can Do Crieff

DM looking at options for increasing usage eg. leaflets, online advertising.

DM has joined CDC to online coworking promotional sites.

Get comments from users/ non returners why do you/ don't see use etc.

AC/ DM to discuss whom to survey.

JW to brief members on fire safety measures including online links to accident/incident reporting form and heating issues.

9. **CAP/ UC forum**

18 March Crieff vision meeting for an invited group at Crieff Community Campus...

10. James Square

PKC still to invoice CCT before year end for £15,000 of spend.

Still trying to see if option 3 with water and lights is possible. If the funding application which DM has made to PKC heritage fund is successful, then we will seek further funding. If not we will progress option 2 with just lighting and cleaning/ masonry work. Other possible funders could then be asked to contribute to 5 year maintenance costs

Wee shop work ongoing. Planning permission approved. Local joiner making hinged window for end March.

11. Governance / CCT

Discussed skills matrix and identify gaps.

12. AOB

Old golf shop - local businessman has approached CCT to ask Shepherds to encourage out-of-town owner to sell the building. Proposition - send a generic CCT letter expressing our desire to see all empty/derelict buildings repurposed. Not specific to any one building. Stating our position that we are determined to see all derelict buildings brought back into use. Discuss at Crieff vision meeting?

The Perthshire Hour - Sharetree on What's App and podcast.

CCC - CCT to promote need to get signatures to resurrect the CC.

Problem with blackthorn in TBW is going to become an issue -> make it into a nice woodland.

Next board meeting- Thursday 16 March 2023 on Zoom Calendar invite will be sent.

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