



CRIEFFCOMMUNITYTRUST

Crieff Community Trust Board Meeting 7pm, 18 May 2023 at Can Do Crieff

Present: Jim Anderson (JA), Ann Ross (AR), David McCann (DM,) Brian McVey (BM), Jane White (JW)

Apologies

Ailsa Campbell (AC), Ian Christie (IC), Claire Sanville (CS)

Invited

Andrew McLean, Susan McLean

- Andrew and Susan were thanked for attending and warmly welcomed to their 'trial' board meeting.

- 1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest** JA is a director of TP&E, who have been awarded the path design contract. Planning meetings will be held once a month in the early stages of this project and DM will attend these. JA will deal with day to day project management. This issue will not be minuted again.
- 2. Approval of Previous Minutes**
The minutes of the April board meeting had been previously circulated and were approved as a true and accurate record.
- 3. Matters Arising**

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Consider registering for VAT - speak to JC to discuss.	JW to do
Plan an open meeting to share the news of the new path project with the local community.	JA/DM/JW to do once title secured
Advertise AGM in Quair/ SH/ mailchimp members	JW ongoing
Stain new window	JW/ DM done
Updates for annual report please by 31 May	DM/ JA/ IC

4. Live funds update

- Gannochy funding £15,000 towards development manager salary costs for a year, has been paid into our account.

- Garfield Weston Foundation for help with core costs. £5,000 unrestricted funding for a year. Must report back by 12.1.24.
- Paths for All IFPF for design of link path successful - £24,474 - accepted and contract awarded to TP&E
- Submitted application to The Fore's next funding round for £27,000 over 3 years.
- £1900 from PKC 'Open for Business' for matched funding to improve external look of 'wee shop'. Extended to end Sept. Claim once spent.
- Fountain
 - PKC CECF - accepted £10,000 for fountain refurb.
 - £44,000 deficit for full works - PK Heritage fund offered £5,000 and received £5,000 from SGN, **Heritage Environment Scotland application made for £25,300**
- **Applications made for help with organising a heritage exhibition/ fundraising for DA to Paristamen, A Sinclair Henderson Trust, WM Mann trust (£25,000)**
- **CLLD project reports for 2022/23 submitted.**
- www.persimmonhomes.com/community-champions-2023 - **applied for £6,000 for core costs and support for uniting Crieff.** ("As we are currently looking to purchase a site in Crieff there should be an increased chance of a Crieff organisation being awarded this money hence why I am contacting a few people to make them aware.")

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

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

Turretbank Wood

- Our solicitor has continued to press Thornton's, asking if they are able to progress – however still no response.
- A Start Up Meeting was held with TP&E at Can Do Crieff on 11 May. [DMcC; JAA for CCT and Rowena Colpitts & Reuben Whitaker for TP&E]. TP&E will produce minutes of the meeting, however the meeting identified the various parties such as: PKC - Andy Clegg and Athol Curtis; SEPA; adjacent householders and highlighted the proposed location for end of Link Path (TP&E expect disused railway line to continue to join with Crieff to Comrie Path [CMRI] – TP&E expected to be awarded design of CMRI replacing SOWECO however CCT do not think CMRI will link at this location – only designed to Trowan so far).

CCT stressed there could be no variations and no price increases as CCT has no funds other than the IFPF award of TP&E tender sum.

CCT has written to the other two tenderers thanking them for their input and advising that they had been unsuccessful. Fairhursts requested feedback and a subsequent letter has been issued explaining how they had fared as well as CCT's philosophy and the tender scoring system.

- TD Tree & Land Services have completed the removal of the perched limb in Meadow 1. The son of an elderly householder was disappointed that that was all CCT had asked TDTrees to remove. It was explained to him that the trees along the boundary line of his father's garden had been surveyed and no maintenance had been identified - those trees are sound. He asked TDTrees for a quotation for them to trim these branches direct for him. JAA reminded Malcolm Roy of TDTrees that CCT had earlier been advised the trees were sound AND lopping those branches might result in an imbalance of the tree structure.
- Scottish Water have just resumed their activities at Turretbank Road and expect to be completed at TBW within 2 weeks (end May).

Work remaining at TBW:

- a) complete regrading around raised manholes;

b) provide beech hedging;

c) provide the bench.

- Coop funded Bench – Bench to be purchased for siting in Meadow 2 – Action outstanding but now awaiting design input from TP&E to make sure new location works in their new design.

Crieff Paths Group

- No volunteer activity in April awaiting clarification of insurance cover.

PKC's Countryside Ranger has now confirmed that Volunteer Paths Group Activities are covered under PKC insurance policy with £5m public liability.

Next paths group outing 10 am May 27 on Knock.

7. Drummond Arms SO submitted a report prior to the meeting

- Works to erect the external scaffolding to start early next week and should be complete by the end of June. DARL are purchasing the scaffolding but the contractor will dismantle and buy back when we are ready.
- DARL have budgeted for regular inspections and minor repairs of the scaffolding over the next 2 years - hopefully it's not in place that long.
- DARL have made a £100k grant Place Based Investment Programme application to allow us to demolish the former Staff Quarters

8. Can Do Crieff

Leaflet campaign to be undertaken in May/June - for awareness raising - to be put through targeted letterboxes. Already sent to local estate agents and outlying big companies. Leaflet also includes promotion of CCT and details of how to become a member. Posters will also go up around town. DMC has written to all major companies in the area and council to share information about CDC.

9. CAP/ UC forum

UC meeting held on 9 May to start sharing projects and requirements.

DMC and JW to meet to agree way forward.

10. James Square

PKC has invoiced CCT for £15,000 of spend from Scotland Loves Local funding. Applications made for further funding to bring water back to the fountain. If unsuccessful, the proposal is to use the extra £10,000 raised to maintain the fountain in the future with recommendation to adopt Option 2 (restore, add lights but no water.) Local groups being consulted. Final decision expected soon.

Wee shop work ongoing. Hinged window now painted and in place and some of the artwork added. Once completed CCT to acknowledge funders and explain purpose!

11. Governance / CCT

Leadership team meeting every 2 weeks.

Ethics policy to be reviewed by this group and presented back to the board.

12. AOB

Next board meeting- AGM will be June 15 at 6.30 by Zoom with monthly meeting to follow.

31 May updates for annual report.

Annual report will be an opportunity to engage with MPs/ MSPs.

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Updates for annual report please by 31 May	DM/ JA/ IC
UC follow up meeting	DM /JW
wee shop - do publicity and explanation	DM/JW
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