

KIRKHILL & BUNCHREW COMMUNITY TRUST

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

13th DECEMBER 2004

1.0 PRESENT

- 1.1. Les Bates, Ged Church, Sandra Hogg, Alan Humphries, Erik Lundberg, David Rogerson, Donald Shiach.

2.0 APOLOGIES

- 2.1. Lindsey Stout, Ally MacNeil.

3.0 MINUTES OF MEETING ON 6th SEPTEMBER 2004

- 3.1 The minutes of the meeting were approved. The minutes of the EGM were attached for information.

4.0 MATTERS ARISING

- 4.1 Item 4.1 - Horse Users Group. Headed paper issued to them.

5.0 TREASURER'S REPORT

- 5.1 Accounts for year-end 30th September circulated and noted. Accounts to be examined by an accountant prior to the AGM.
- 5.2 100 Club Draw – 1) Sue Owen, 2) Jan Patience, 3) Annie Griffiths, 4) Fiona Clarke. SH to renew Lotteries Registration for £17.50. EL to email membership for volunteer to run the 100 Club and the issue is to be reviewed at the AGM. **Action: S. Hogg, E. Lundberg**
- 5.3 SH to table a paper on the role of the Treasurer at the AGM. **Action: S. Hogg**

6.0 FUNDRAISING

- 6.1 Annie & Val held a car boot stall at Eden Court in September and raised £94. Thanks were noted to them.
- 6.2 Val, Sue and Elizabeth Shiach have submitted a project proposal to make a patchwork quilt and raffle it in aid of Trust funds. Cost of materials and tickets £150, hope to raise £1000+. Draw expected late 2005. Funding for the project was approved and thanks noted to the team.

7.0 SECRETARY'S REPORT

- 7.1 Deadline for Crannog contributions is 15th February 2005.
- 7.2 Constitution has been amended following the EGM and lodged with Companies House and the Inland Revenue Charities Office. Updated version has been issued to all Board members.

- 7.3 Volunteer Inverness newsletter received.
- 7.4 Letter received via THC and KBCC from Ms Jackie Fowler to Charles Kennedy re possibility of cycle footpath from Bunchrew to Inverness. Passed to GC (Footpath Group) for comment. GC to write to KBCC requesting THC fund a feasibility study by a consultant to create the path as a link in a path from Beauly to Inverness. Cost likely to be £5,000. **Action: G. Church**
- 7.5 Results of PRIN questionnaire on Kirkhill residents' wishes received. SH has access to the full survey data. Responses will be noted for future projects and grant applications.

8.0 TRAINING EVENT

- 8.1 A training evening event was held in the Community Centre in November, organised by SH and presented by the Big Picture organisation. Thanks were noted to both for their efforts. Two prominent issues were identified for action by the Trust; purpose and public profile. The objective of the Trust was summed up as 'to create a sense of place'. LB to approach Martha McEwan regarding a Trust insert in the next issue of Crannog. Insert to be a double-sided A4 insert for the February issue with colour and photos. Groups to provide articles on their activities. Kirkhill Primary and Charleston Secondary schools to be approached by LB to run a competition to devise a logo for the Trust, with a prize for the winner from each school. **Action: L. Bates, All**

9.0 COMMUNITY PARK GROUP

- 9.1 The group has identified that the Macmillan family owns the land and THC may not have a formal lease. Discussions being held with THC to clarify the legal position on the lease and on their future maintenance of the park, prior to any negotiations on the lease by the Trust. The Community Land Unit will fund the legal costs involved with the lease. Funding and phasing for new equipment to be looked at in due course.

10.0 FOOTPATH GROUP

- 10.1 The Inchmore-Moniack footpath is to be considered for adoption by THC in 2005 and will be maintained by them, although some strimming may still be required by the Trust.
- 10.2 Footpath Group is working with Newtonhill Trust on paths in their area. KBCT Footpath Strategy document and monitoring survey information to be passed to the consultant working on the business plan for NT. **Action: G. Church**

11.0 HORSE USERS GROUP

- 11.1 No report.

12.0 PANTOMIME

- 12.1 AH reported that the next event is likely to be put off till Christmas 2005 due to pressures of work for the writing team.

13.0 WASTE GROUP

- 13.1 Community clean-up held at the end of October. Inchmore recycling site working smoothly and paper bin should arrive in April (cardboard is only collected on manned sites). EL attended the launch of Community Recycling Network Scotland in Inverness and we are now part of their Forum. Work is continuing on the Eco-School programme with Kirkhill Primary School. Meeting held with planning officer re

wildflower meadow next to Wardlaw Graveyard and response to be sent to land owner, Brian Smith. THC willing to allow access through car park.

14.0 WEBSITE

- 14.1 Site being moved to new host for more space and lower cost. Material hosted for Newtonhill Trust and email address offered to them. Content being expanded and efforts taken to raise awareness of site. Businesses to be approached for entries and content required from KBCT groups for Trust section.

15.0 WOODLAND GROUP

- 15.1 3 loads of wood sold. Group working in the wood. Event planned for the Spring. It was agreed that the Trust should join the Scottish Rural Community Forum.

16.0 AOCB

- 16.1 GC noted that the Newtonhill Trust is holding an open evening tomorrow in the Inchmore Canteen. The ballot on pursuing the bid will be held on 21st January.
- 16.2 Community ownership of parcels of land in the area could be considered at a 'planning for real' event in order to lodge a 'registration of interest' with the Scottish Executive in the event of their future sale. Further discussion on this required.
- 16.3 GC noted that a draft document on Designing for Sustainability has been produced by the Planning Department at THC. It is available for download on the THC website (www.highland.gov.uk) and comments have been requested by 11th March.

17.0 NEXT MEETING

- 17.1 The AGM will be held on Monday 7th March, 7.30pm, hopefully at the Bogroy Hotel if it is open again after refurbishment. The next Board Meeting will be on Monday 21st March, 7.30pm, also at the Bogroy.

End.