HOLMEHILL LTD

Minutes of Open Meeting of Board held on Tuesday 7th November 2006 in Leighton House

1. Attendance

Present: Ian Adam, Sarah Aldred, Rosemary Bland, (Chair) Heather Brennan, Alison Brown, Caroline Crawford, Gerard Hastings, Liz Law, Steve Mason, David Prescott, John Roberts, John Seddon, Fred Shaw, Phill Tebbutt, David Topliff, Caroline Smillie, Deirdre Wilson, Malcolm Wilson.

Apologies: Claire Watt, David & Paula Woolley

2. Minutes of previous meeting: Accepted

3. Developments re Stirling Council

Meeting with Councillors Ann Dixon and Pat Greenhill

- · Checked Agenda for Meeting with S.C. Planning Officer
- PG observed that Holmehill is underused. Believed that any planning application would have to be rejected.
- AD believed that Section 75 is our best defense, but that AWD might challenge this.
- Councillors believed that as many members as possible should write to the Chief Executive of Stirling Council urging him to defend council policy. While a template would be acceptable, individual letters are more effective

Press Release

 Press Release to Stirling Observer reminding whole Council that the site is protected

Meeting with Stirling Counci. Planning Officer

- Caroline Crawford, Liz Law, Andy Gould, Bryan Grieve, John Seddon to attend.
- Caroline to raise possibility of sharing cost of a tree survey of the hill with Stirling Council; possible cost = £500.00
- Ian Adam to investigate status of woodland area adjacent to Bogside
- Reminder that possible developments at Braeport are key because of argument over access to Holmehill

4. Future Campaigning

- Members must become familiar with the planning process. Suggested that Planning Officer should be approached for advice.
- · Need to harness media.
- Letters to be written to Stirling Council and Scottish Executive. Board members should exercise caution lest this create difficulties with the application for registration.
- An abstract of our plans for the hill should be circulated

5. Registration of Community Interest in Holmehill and the Braeport Centre

Collection of signatures: Signatures to be checked by Wednesday 15th November

Content of application: Broadly approved - submission by 23 November

6. Holmehill Meetings

Agreed that Open Meetings of the Board be held on a rolling timetable to offer more flexibility ie Monday to Thursday evenings. As before, special Board-only meetings can be called when needed.

7. Next meeting:

Tuesday, 5th December at 7.30 in the Archie Craig Room in Leighton House.

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