

Holmehill Ltd

Minutes of Open Meeting of Board
held on Wednesday 19 March 2008 in Leighton House.

In attendance: Steve Mason, Caroline Crawford, Malcolm Wilson, Dave Topliff, Andrew Gould, Tim Hughes, Libby Hughes, Phill Tebbutt, David Prescott, Gerard Hastings, Grant Wilson, Sandy Smith, Lorraine Stassin, John Stassin, Michael Mayne, Peter Ainslie, Alison Brown

1. Welcome and Apologies

Gerard welcomed all present, particularly Michael Mayne & Peter Ainslie who have both recently moved in to Holmehill Court. Apologies were received from Rosemary Bland, Sarah Aldred, Cheryl Thomas, Lynn Ferguson.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

- The minutes of the January meeting were approved
- There were no Matters Arising.

3. Financial Update

- It was agreed that members' colour photocopying costs would be reimbursed at 30p for an A4 sheet.
- Andy indicated that a number of financial returns have to be submitted soon. So could any outstanding invoices be submitted asap.

4 Land

Land ownership issues at Bogside

- There was general discussion about whether the conditions attached to the transfer of the land from Grace Donaldson to the council were swept away by the Land Reform Act (as suggested in the last minutes). Lorraine's investigations had left this in some doubt. Action : Steve to write to the council to ascertain views.
- Still outstanding is joint visit to the council with DDT to find out if they have plans for the site. Action Steve and David Gill (DDT)

DDT's registration of community interest in Braeport Centre

- Holmehill Ltd is assisting DDT in putting together its application. Good progress is being made. Action : Steve and Caroline

5 Other initiatives

- **Holmehill cards** : Steve delegated to organise the printing of the cards, hopefully in time for the Fling.
- **Raising funds** : Following discussion it was agreed:-
 - To enable people to make donations online through www.CharityChoice.co.uk - Grant to set up
 - Not to pursue fundraising through www.easyfundraising.org.uk
- **Marquee** : Agreed to continue to investigate options and discuss again at April meeting. Action : Steve to check availability of tents to borrow from the scouts; Caroline to check with the Council.

- **Oral history project** : Agreed to set up group to pursue this. Lorraine to initiate initial meeting. Malcolm Wilson & Sue Harley expressed an interest in working on the project. Dave can assist in the later stages. Other participants would be welcomed - contact Lorraine (phone 822027). Suggestion that we use the Holmehill tent at Fling by the River to listen to people. Agreed to include stories about the old primary school which is now the Braeport Centre.

7 Events

Rock & Blues Nite : A week on Saturday (29th). Sandy is running the bar and is seeking helpers (phone 822037). Sales are going reasonably well but we still need more people to sell tickets (phone Steve 820082). Gerard offered to organise a Raffle. Heartland Radio from Perthshire are advertising the event.

8 AOCB

- Holmehill Ltd has been invited to speak at a Land Reform conference organised by Community Woodlands Association. It is on April 25th somewhere by Loch Ness. Caroline and/or Steve to attend.
- A new resident of Ramoyle has asked about our stance on the management of the hill (by Allan Water Developments) in the short term. Agreed to discuss at next meeting.
- Esther Hutcheson (journalist from Allan Water News) had spent an hour on 6 March getting a guided tour of Holmehill with Steve & Rosie
- There is a notice board at the new Dunblane High that groups can use - contact Anne McEwan

9 Open Board Meetings

Next meeting

Wednesday 16th April 2008 at 7.30pm in the Archie Craig room in Leighton House in the Haining.

Future meetings

May 2008 - Wednesday 21st at 7.30 in Archie Craig Room

June 2008 - AGM - Wednesday 18th at 7.30 in the Braeport Centre

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Dawn Chorus	Sunday 11 May
Fling by the River (Holmehill contribution)	Saturday 24 May
Family Funday	Sunday 10 August

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