

Holmehill Ltd

Minutes Open Meeting of Board

Tuesday 3 February 2009

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| 1 | In attendance: Caroline Crawford (Chair), Malcolm Wilson, Libby Hughes, Phill Tebbutt, Steve Mason, Ian Macleod, Alison Brown, Chris Spray, Rosemary Bland, Lorraine Stassin, John Seddon + Carol Stobie | Action |
| 2 | Welcome and Apologies : Apologies were received from Jean Marie Stassin, Gerard Hastings, David Prescott, Dave Topliff + Grant Wilson
Welcome to Carol Stobie : Caroline welcomed to the meeting Carol Stobie who is the new Director of Scottish Churches House. Carol outlined her hopes and aspirations for SCH and her wish to work closely with the Holmehill group. | |
| 3 | Minutes of Previous Meeting
The minutes of the November meeting were approved
Matters arising <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Braeport RCIL application : Now accepted by Scottish Government; Comments have been made on Stirling Council's objections; decision now awaited (<i>Decision letter subsequently received on 7 February - the site has been registered - success at last!</i>)• Signs : Steve to ask when signs over Holmehill will be erected | SM |
| 4 | Finances
To date we have made a loss of £100 on cards but we have cards to sell during the year (blank inside) and next Xmas. In long run we will cover costs + we have kept up the profile of the hill and the group. | |
| 5 | Report back on Community Planning day - Saturday 17 January :
Caroline, Alison and Steve went to the planning day for the new Dunblane Community Plan. It was very well attended by a wide range of groups in the town. We all worked hard identifying issues that need to be tackled and developing our 'vision' for Dunblane. There will be further events at which the community can get involved. | |
| 6 | Potential Environmental Surveys : Chris Spray introduced his discussion paper which had been circulated in advance. Following discussion it was agreed that we would focus on the following surveys which will be organised so that they involve children and families in events on the hill:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bird survey - already underway. Agreed to put data onto website• Tree survey - could use GPS and photos; Day event on Holmehill? National tree week? Biodiversity day?• Bat survey - involve the batlady and batman; National bat week?• Fungi & lichen - fungus flurry? | CS/GW
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<p>7 Sub Groups</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral history sub group : We have stories from about 15 people. Agreed that something would be drafted that could be put on the website. Malcolm has done work on the link to the Donaldsons. Rosemary suggested having a focus group. It was agreed that the group should meet to plan ahead. • Walks leaflet sub group - The sub group had met at Libby's house. Different ideas were presented. One quote to date was 5000 leaflets for £1k + VAT. Caroline knows someone who could do the layout (including map) relatively cheaply. Hydro to provide some funding (thanks to David Prescott); other sponsorship /grants to be sought (SNH, Lottery, NHS, Council). Sub group to meet once again at Caroline's on Wednesday 11 February. • Funday sub group : Sunday 9 August - The first planning meeting will be held on Tuesday 17 February at 7.30 at Steve's house. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to come along. 	<p>GW LS/RB /MW CC SM</p>
<p>8 Other Initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timeline - The timeline was used to plan events over the year • Dawn chorus walk : Sunday 10 May -Steve to book the Braeport • Fling by River : Saturday 23 May - We have been invited to be there • 2010 Calendar : Need to advertise in Library - poster?. Steve has drafted article for Community News. • Halloween event : Good idea? • Pilgrim's Walk from Iona to St Andrews - does it come close to Dunblane? Alison to check 	<p>SM SM CC AB</p>
<p>9 AOCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John expressed concern at the term used in the last Holmehill minutes 'the Tesco side of Dunblane'. • Need to develop closer links to Museum particularly in relation to Walks leaflet 	
<p>10 Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>Wednesday 1 April 2009 at 7.30pm in the Archie Craig Room in Leighton House in the Haining</p> <p>SM</p>	