Holmehill Ltd

Minutes Open Meeting of Board

Monday 7 September 2009

1	In attendance: Libby Hughes, Caroline Crawford, Steve Mason, Grant Wilson, Phill Tebbutt, Chris Spray also Malcolm Wilson & Andy Wheildon.	Action
2	Welcome and Apologies : Apologies were received from Alison Brown, Rosemary Bland, Lorraine Stassin, Gerard Hastings, Jean Marie Stassin, David Prescott.	
3	Minutes of Previous Meeting The minutes of the June meeting were approved.	
	Matters arising Signs over Holmehill : Still no news RCIL : Letter sent and reply received. Job done. Allanwater Finances : Andy Gould had accessed their accounts (thanks to Andy) for the last two years and they are not in good shape. Iain MacLeod's father (a retired accountant) is taking a closer look. Diary : Dave T to report back Light Show : Steve and Grant to discuss.	IMacL DT SM/GW
4	Finances We remain financially ok. We received an unsolicited £250 from a charitable trust in Leeds. We need a Treasurer. We are having a problem with OSCR. Caroline to give Steve name of friendly local accountant.	SM CC
5	Sub Groups	
	• Oral history sub group : Booklet nearly complete. Thanks to Lorraine and the working group.	LS
	• Walks leaflet sub group - Leaflet is ready and being distributed around the town. If anyone can think of a good outlet, please contact Libby 821823. The launch at the Hydro went well and received good coverage in the Press. Thanks to the group that worked on it. It was a hard road. It is a great achievement. SM to send copies of map to the designer, Heather.	LH/CC SM
6	Other Initiatives	
	 Funday 2009: Numbers down but a success as ever. Thanks to all those who helped both in advance and on the day. By default we made a profit - agreed we would use profits to pay Museum and Braeport playgroup for 'services rendered'. 	SM
	• Environmental Surveys : Chris described how he did a bird survey and showed us some of the results to date. Chris to pass more surveys to Steve for him to put on the Blog. There was discussion about feeding birds + the lack of flora on the hill (but there has been some wild planting!)	CS/GW
	• Bat event - It will be on Friday September 11 th in the Braeport Centre (room is booked). Info is on the Blog. Good press coverage to date	CS/AY

	• Dawn chorus walk: Rhys - in case you read this - Chris says he won	Action
	 Dawn chorus walk: Rhys - in case you read this - Chris says he won. 2010 Calendar : Although, final selection not yet complete, £20 prizes were handed out to Andy Wheildon + Grant Wilson. Other winners Magnus Peterson + Anney Youngman were unable to attend. Steve + Grant to review Chris's Cd of photos. SM/CC will meet soon to progress - need to get to printers soon. Libby received prices - Stirling Council cheapest. Agreed to get 500 copies + whatever the hydro can sell. SM to contact Hydro. David P had suggested envelopes - decided too much hassle. David P to organise distribution - we will need all Board members to assist in selling them. 	CC/SM GW/DF
	 Halloween : Dave is organising event himself (30 October Braeport) 	
	• Blues Nite - Early in 2010.	DT
	• Website development : Blog now up and running. Holmehill photos will be on Blog soon. Walks leaflet will be on main website - cos it is long term. Anyone interested in learning how to upload to Blog contact Steve or Grant. Phill interested.	DT/SM GW/SA
7	Board meetings in 2010	
	The agreed dates for next year's board meetings are:-	SM
	Wednesday 3 February Thursday 15 April Monday 7 June (AGM) Tuesday 7 September Wednesday 3 November	
8	 AOCB Local development plan : In order to ensure protection of Holmehill 	
	continued, we have submitted an expression of interest to the local development plan. If you want more info, contact Steve.	SM
	• Dunblane Community Plan : The recall conference for the Dunblane Community Plan - Saturday 3 October. Anyone want to go?	СС
	• Hydro Family Funday : To be held on Sunday 13 September	
	• Community Woodlands Association : Conference at Loch Ness on 7/8 November (separate email) anyone wishing to attend contact Steve.	SM
8	Date of Next Meeting	
	At 7.30pm on Tuesday 3 November 2009 in the Archie Craig Room, Leighton House, the Haining	