

## Holmehill Ltd

### Minutes Open Meeting of Board in Archie Craig Room, Leighton House, The Haining

Thursday 27 January 2011

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| 1 | <b>In attendance:</b> Chris Spray [Chair], Phill Tebbutt, Lorraine Stassin, David Prescott, Steve Mason, Caroline Crawford, Libby Hughes, John Armitage and Jean Marie Stassin,.  | Action       |
| 2 | <b>Welcome and Apologies:</b> Apologies were received from Rosemary Bland, Gerard Hastings, Dave Topliff, Malcolm Wilson and Graham Houston.  |              |
| 3 | <b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b><br>The minutes of the meeting on 3 November 2010 were approved.  |              |
| 4 | <b>Matters arising from the Minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Caroline will draft a letter to the Access Officer at Stirling Council to ask whose responsibility it is when a Core Path is obstructed by a fallen branch. She will forward it to Libby to send to the Access Officer.</li><li>• 2012 Calendar pictures. These are still coming in, mostly of snow scenes. We need to encourage people to take photos through the seasons.</li></ul>   | CC/LH        |
| 5 | <b>Finances</b><br>SM reported that the finances remain in a healthy state. He submitted the Accounts to OSCR by end December.  | SM           |
| 6 | <b>Meeting with Allanwater Developments.</b><br>Graham Houston has kindly arranged a meeting with Mr Stirling of Allanwater Developments, to take place on 31 January. Chris Spray, David Prescott and Libby Hughes will represent Holmehill. There was discussion as to how we should approach this meeting. It was agreed we should seek his views on <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• his plans for the site, short term and long term</li><li>• his views on maintenance of the site, management of the trees, and his responsibilities as the landowner.</li></ul> Before attending we should familiarise ourselves with the Scottish Outdoor Access Code. Libby will contact Community Woodlands Association to ask if they have any advice. | CS/DT/<br>LH |
| 7 | <b>Events and Initiatives</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Environmental surveys</b> CS continues to do these regularly and posts them on the blog</li><li>• <b>Greetings cards</b> 108 packs have been sold [250 packs printed] mainly at Victoria Hall, the PO and the Library. The Library will continue to stock them, and we will ask the Museum if it will,</li></ul>   | CS           |

when it re-opens. These are suitable for all year use, so we should have them available to sell at all events.

- **Wildlife Photography Workshop** CS to contact Lyn Bowser at Argaty to see if she would run a workshop. CS
- **Blues Night** SM will contact DT. If he has been unable to arrange a Saturday night in April/May in the Victoria Hall we should aim for a night in the autumn DT/SM
- **Dawn Chorus.** Will be held again on Sunday 8 May. CS will lead and organise supporting ornithologists. He will arrange photos of the birds we are likely to see, and LS will get them laminated. CW and Debbie Spray will be asked to organise breakfast as before. Advertise through local Press. CS/LS/  
CW
- **Flora Day** Steve McGrail has agreed to lead this. LH will liaise with him re dates, possibly 4/5 June so we can advertise it at The Fling. We will ask MW if a loudhailer can be available. LH
- **Fling by the River** a 2 day event this year, on 28 and 29 May. We should be there. Discussed having an attraction to draw people to our marquee - possibly owls, or a wildlife orientated puppet show. SM will contact owl group. LS, CC and SM will coordinate, but as many members as possible will be needed to erect the marquee and 'man' it, probably on a rota basis. SM/CC/  
LS
- **Litter Pick** DDT Environment Group had organised one at the Memorial Park. We will liaise with them and RB to organise one on Holmehill in early Spring. LH/RB

- 7 **Website and Blog** SM will discuss this with DT DT/SM
- 8 **AOCB SCH** is due to close in August, so we may need to seek alternative venue for meetings, possibly in Braeport Centre. CC
- 9 **Date of Next Meeting** Monday 28 March in Archie Craig Room, Leighton House, The Haining at 7.30pm [LS and CC will be unable to attend]

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