

Holmehill Ltd

Minutes of the Open Meeting of the Board
in Cathedral Halls, Dunblane on Thursday 21 April 2016 at 7.30pm

1. Attendance/apologies

Present were:- :- David Prescott [in the Chair], Caroline Crawford, Dave Topliff, Ian Adam, Rosemary Bland, Richard Bland, Mary Birch, Phill Tebbutt, Libby Hughes

Apologies were received from :- Steve Mason, Chris Spray, Steve Moizer, Dave Stubbs, Chris Toop, Brigitte Beck-Woerner, Paddy Holmes, Peter Holmes, Gillian Osborn, Geoffrey Osborn, Robin Davies, Antony Birch

2. Minutes of meeting 4 February 2016 were accepted. No matters arising.

3. Finances satisfactory. Still around £1800 in the Bank.

4. Bogside Development progressing as planned. 8 units for people from Dunblane, including 2 units with wheelchair access.

5. Planning Applications 16/00036/FUL and 16/00057/FUL to build a mansion or office block on Holmehill. Around 120 comments have been logged on Stirling Council's website, against each application, from both members and non-members of Holmehill Community Buyout Group. Decision is pending.

6. Fling by the River Saturday 28 May. Holmehill Group will be represented. We would like to ask the wider membership to volunteer to 'man' the marquee, maybe just for an hour. This would involve talking to visitors about Holmehill and handing out leaflets.

7. Hallowe'en event Sunday 30 October. This is an important fun event for raising awareness of Holmehill, and for raising funds. Neither CC or LH is available to run the event this year, though both are able to give advice. Please let us know if you are available to help in any way.

8. Environmental surveys. Monthly environmental surveys have continued throughout the year, primarily focusing on bird populations, but with records of plants, butterflies, mammals and other wildlife as observed. See the monthly reports at www.holmehillblog.org

9. Core path surveys ongoing. To note, a DDT Paths Group has been formed which is available to maintain paths in Dunblane in liaison with Stirling Council.

10. AOCB

- Sue Harley has expressed an interest in taking on the role of secretary of Holmehill Community Buyout Group. LH will liaise with her.
- David Stubbs asked for advice in connection with a residents' desire to purchase a site in Scone. DP willing to advise.
- We would like to increase our pool of volunteers. Anyone willing to join in will be welcome, and any youth groups would be most welcome.

11. Date of next meeting Wednesday 15 June, 7.30 pm, Cathedral Halls.

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