

Holmehill Ltd

Minutes of the open Board meeting

Cathedral Halls, Dunblane on Tuesday 5th September 2017 at 8.00 pm.

1. Present

David Prescott [in the Chair], Caroline Crawford, Sue Harley, Dave Topliff, Mary Birch, Anthony Birch, Ian Adam, Dave Stubbs, Catriona Whitton, Libby Hughes, Steve Mason, Maud Crawford, Guy Crawford, Mike Christmas, Tim Hughes

2. Apologies

Jane Dunbar, Claire Watt, Alan Watt, Phil Tebbutt, Bonnie McGregor, Pat Chisholm, Rob Forrest, David Dodds, Frances Rankin, Debbie Spray, Chris Spray, Chris Toop, Alison Brown, Brigitte Beck-Woerner, Gillian Osborn, Geoffrey Osborn, Diana Davies, Martin Davies, Julie Forrest, Robin Davies, Steve Moizer, Rosemary Bland, Richard Bland

3. **Minutes of previous meeting** - were approved by the meeting.

4. **Matters arising** – covered below

5. **Finance** We have £1561 in the bank, but our balance is falling and we will need to do some fund raising.

6. **Planning applications Appeals** – no further developments are known

7. **Metasequoia Trees** Three metasequoia trees have been offered by Forth Housing Association to replace the one lost in the housing development at Bogside. It was agreed, that if the location is suitable, then one should be planted behind the garages in Bogside (LH to speak to the tree officer). The other two will be offered to the Dunblane Development Trust (for the Haugh), and to the Community Council (for the Laighills). Dave Topliff will discuss with the residents in the new houses. Action DT & LH

8. **Events and initiatives** Spooky Fun: Sunday 29th October – Alison Brown has agreed to organise it again. Sue will contact her. Dave Prescott will attend the Girl Guides Christmas Card Sale. Lorraine Stassin will arrange a litter pick in October. We will arrange a stand at the Fling by the River 2018. Action AB/LS/SH/DP

9. **Environmental surveys** Chris Spray continues to do these each month. Action CS

10. **Core paths** - Libby has been continuing to walk the path and report any problems to Stirling, but formal reporting has now ceased following the resignation of the Council access officer. Action LH

12. Any Other Competent Business

- We need to re-schedule the November meeting. Sue will do so Action SH
- We agreed not to send out e-mails about non- Holmehill matters
- Caroline Crawford will follow up Facebook and Twitter Action CC
- Future Strategy for the group. Dave Prescott will draft a strategy paper with ways forward and the pros and cons of each. We agreed to organise a consultation event in the New Year and apply to the Scottish Land Fund for financial support. Action DP
- David Prescott has taken our newly elected councillor, Alistair Tollemarch to visit the Hill. He is still trying to find a suitable time for Douglas Dodds.

13. **Date of the next meeting** - the next meeting will be held on **Thursday 9 November 2017** in the Cathedral Halls. All welcome to attend. NB Original date now reinstated.