



COLLIESTON & SLAINS COMMUNITY TRUST MINUTES MEETING 13 NOVEMBER 2006

Present: Fiona Chaplain, Susan Somner, Steve Rainey, Jack Page, Peter Somner, Vicky McNiff, Elizabeth Hay, Shirley Beattie, Neil Ironside

Apologies: Alan White, John Hitchcock

Minutes of 9 October 2006 meeting proposed by Jack Page, seconded by Peter Somner and approved by the Committee.

1. Architectural Workgroup Report

There was a comprehensive planning discussion for the running of the exhibition.

Voting criteria paper submitted and after discussion was approved.

Jack reported he had been in contact with the Planning Dept and has sent them the architectural brief, timeline and short list of architects. He is to contact them again with an invitation to the exhibition and also send them an info pack.

2. Treasurer's Report

Current balance as at 24 October 2006: £22237.41

Received £1500 from *Awards for All* towards the cost of the architectural competition.

There was discussion re obtaining the £2000 from the Community Development Group award and Neil to pursue this and give Susan the information required to claim the award.

Susan reported that her meeting with Ritson Smith had been postponed and she is awaiting further contact from them.

3. Legal/Slains Estate Update

Steve reported Sheila Ritchie had proposed to Slains Estate that their interest in the Rivie expire after 20 years. However Michael Milligan (Factor) reported that this time limit was unacceptable to Slains Estate. We need to know what is acceptable to them. It is also unacceptable that we have no realistic estimate of their legal fees. We still have no plan of the area for sale. Steve to continue to liaise with Sheila on these issues.

4. Funding Strategy Workgroup Report

Big Lottery pre-qual not yet submitted. We have six months to provide them with a full application after we have submitted the pre-qual. Until the architectural competition is complete we have no indicative costs. Plan to visit the Big Lottery and discuss specifics before submitting pre-qual. They will respond approximately 10 days after our submission.

5. Business Plan Workgroup Report

Vicky to review project plans and update – ongoing.

Vicky to resend business plan actions

Vicky to get info pack on Coastal Café - ongoing

Alan to pursue Sarah Menzies of CADISPA to get copy of Boat of Garten business plan – got some VAT information.

Peter reported DTA forwarding package with business model along with links to funders.

Neil Ironside reported he has been pursuing running costs of current hall, but has not found much information. He will continue to pursue this.

6. Energy Workgroup

Elizabeth reported that Scottish Enterprise were looking at marine/tidal energy and she will report any developments. Steve reported John will be ready when we need him to pursue investigations into energy requirements.

7. Communications

Peter reported he had attended Amenities Committee meeting and that this went well.

Peter to draft agenda for joint meeting with Amenities Committee and forward for approval.

Steve to confirm that he has provided responses to questions and Susan to add responses to the FAQs.

Peter to contact Rob Nash re his queries.

Business plan section to be created on the website.

Susan to update FAQs to include the status on acquisition of the Rivie.

Diagram that Steve prepared for the Big Lottery pre-qual to go on the website.

8. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 11 December 2006 at Steve Rainey's