



Board Meeting. 18/06/14. Community Garden. 7.30pm

PRESENT: Chrissy Pollock (Energy Advisor) Kayt Howell (Co ordinator) Gordon Cowtan , Hugh Edmond, Jamie Pearson, Matthew Black (Senior Energy Advisor), David Howell, Holly O'Donnell.

APOLOGIES: Pete Skabara, Gordon Murray, Iain Frazer.

## **ACTION**

Previous minutes were approved.

### **BALGAIR**

MB gave brief report on progress. Some delays reported on the preparation of the tender document. Information is being updated but the time taken for completion is concerning. Directors asked for a completion date to be set for 27/06/14.

**MB**

### **COUNCIL OWNED WOODED AREA.**

JP discussed information made available through the FCC regarding Stirling Council owned land to the rear of the garages at the bottom of the Castle Drive.

Councilor Muirhead had discussed the possibility of building affordable housing however the access is poor. Other options discussed were the exchange of location of the children's play park to this area and housing being built on the parkland. The FCC are keen to look at plans which will prevent this area, which contains around 70 Scots Pines, from going to a developer. Directors discussed various ideas for the land use and the obstacles of liability for the trees and maintenance needs.

FDT /FCC will register a community right to buy - which will allow the community to have first chance to purchase should the area come up for sale. This does not commit to buying, but will offer best options.

In the interim FDT will look at funding which may secure a maintenance contract for the various community owned green areas in the village. **MB CP.**

### **RESERVED BUSINESS**

#### **FUTURE PLANS AND FUNDING.**

The Directors and staff discussed the options for future project plans and the funding options to maintain the services we provide pursue new.

Details of options are to be circulated around all the board for a 'Decision Required'

**KH**

#### **AOB.**

JP discussed the potential funding for the weekly shoppers bus. More details available at the end of the month

Think Tank event to be organized towards the end of August to invite the community to give their thoughts and plans to FDT & FCC in conjunction with the current big lottery funded project “Fintry’s Masterplan”. New ideas and information will uncover potential projects and address any community issues.

**STAFF**

Due to holidays – date of next meeting will be 20<sup>th</sup> Aug 14

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