

DATE : 18.01.17 LOCATION: HQ TIME: 7.30pm

| DIRECTORS & STAFF | Present | Apologies |
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| David Howell (Chair) | y |  |
| Gordon Cowtan ( Treasurer ) | y |  |
| Holly O'Donnell | y |  |
| Hugh Edmonds | y |  |
| Iain Frazer | y |  |
| Stuart Higgins | y |  |
| Gordon Murray |  | y |
| Jamie Pearson (FCC Chair) | y |  |
| Matthew Black ( Sen. Energy Advisor) | y |  |
| Kayt Howell (Manager) | y |  |
| Other Guest. |  |  |

\*Previous minutes approved by Board.

| Agenda Item No. | Summary Discussion | Decision | Action. |
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| Meeting directly followed EGM to approve accounts.  Accounts were all approved. | Directors discussed comments and suggestions from membership | To adjust presentation of information to membership at AGM | Board. MB KH |
| Previous Minutes | Budget for thermal camera and temperature gauge. | To organise purchase | MB & KH |
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| 1. SMART Fintry | GC reported the progress made in year 1 and the conditions attached to the next stage gate and funding for year 2.  End of year spend | GC & MB will report back on further planning meetings and progress to the Board | Gc & MB |
| 2. Heat Pumps | MB discussed the issues around funding, engagement with Stirling council regarding Fintry PS.  Possibility of pilot scheme with Energy for All.  Householder investment and contributions. | HOD to ask about suitability of Council’s proposed Air to Air system.  MB & GC looking at alternatives to bridge funding gap. | HoD to report back.  MB & GC |
| 3. Tree Management | SH presented the findings of his trial schemes for the tree management grant and the terms and conditions, which will apply.  Concerns expressed over tree removal issues with neighbours. | SH to go ahead with the 40 % grant for the two trial households as discussed. To confirm figures to the Board | SH. |
| 4. Balgair | Board discussed issue raised by DH over the 30% discrepancy in heat sale estimates. | Board to draft letter to the consultant asking for explanation.  Long term solution to be considered. | DH & Board  GC & Board |
| 5. Election Protocol | Directors discussed both the in-house and external concerns and comments raised over the recent Board elections. Suggestions on how to fine-tune protocol while adhering to the Articles of Association. | Agreed protocol to be circulated around membership prior to AGM | KH GC |
| 6. Fixing things | GC brought the idea of a workshop for fixing items and upcycling | More information required | GC KH |
| 7. Rugby Club Flood lights | Directors discussed the benefits and fit of the request against core aims. | £1200 towards LED lights only | MB |
| 8. Member correspondence | Board discussed the FDT grant criteria and definitions.  Vote taken on a new build homes occupation time before qualifying for grants. | All grants are awarded at the Boards discretion.  Vote result of 4 to 2 for a Five Year period to apply. | KH & Board |
| 9. Bangladesh project. | Board considered the admirable project for additional funding. | Applicant is in receipt of FE grant for studies and project was not a suitable ‘fit’ of the Trusts core aims.  Not able to provide further funding. | KH & Board |

Information to be separately minuted:

Objections to be recorded:

Date of Next Meeting. **29.03.17**