

East Loch Lomond Community Trust

Trustees meeting at Passfoot Cottage, Balmaha



Thursday 3 May 2018

Present: Joe Twaddle
Margaret McDonald (minute taker)
Sandy Fraser
Louise Storrie
Arthur Hannan
Dave Arcari - member (communications)

Apologies: David Fraser
Walter McAllister
Mike Pattison

1. **APOLOGIES** - noted
2. **MINUTES OF MEETING 22/03/18** - proposed by Sandy Fraser, seconded by Arthur Hannan.
3. **RESPONSE TO SURVEY MONKEY**
MMcD handed out a copy of ELLCT response to survey. Trustees stated all happy with response.
4. **LAND FUND - Stage 1 application**
MMcD to contact Donna Birrell CEO, RSHA for information for application - land valuation/public consultation/planning outline.
5. **COMMUNITY GRANTS/COMMUNITY PRIDE APPLICATION**
Jean Cowie has acknowledged receipt of recent ELLCT application.
6. **SPREADING THE LOAD - WHO CAN DO WHAT?**
 - It was felt all trustees are willing to share the load
 - Arthur Hannan to make a start on the Land Fund, Stage 1 application.
7. **LAND TRANSFER**
MMcD has had email from Ewan Grant (Stirling CC solicitor) saying all in order now MMcD has spoken with Joyce Marshal at Dallas MacMillan to take the matter forward asking her to confirm there is a £500 blanket fee in place.

8. COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Dave Arcari submitted an invoice for his services for April 2018.

DA updated the trustees as following:

- 3 new online memberships. £3 given to LS, treasurer
- Social media updated throughout April. DA asked all trustees to keep an eye on social media and to share/retweet as often as possible.
- News section: new info re cycle paths and boundary changes.
- GDPR: email out to all members directing them to electronic form for consent & privacy policy info.
- Broadband Delivery Group: DA attended the recent meeting and reported:
 - a) There is a possibility of broadband direct to premises in Balmaha by the end of 2018.
 - b) Community Competition: for areas with poor connectivity there is community groups may get £5000 - £10000 for technical solutions.
- DA asked if a community broadband group could be set up. This was agreed. Trustees in this group are: Mike Pattison, David Fraser and Arthur Hannan with DA taking the lead.

9. AOCB

- after discussions with Highlands and Islands Enterprise and The Highlands Small Communities Housing Trust regarding the ELLCT application to the Land Fund the Trustees discussed amending the constitution. MMcD proposed that Section 15 of the ELLCT constitution be deleted. This was seconded by SF and the trustees unanimously agreed to amend the ELLCT constitution. The ELLCT will not refuse membership to anyone eligible to apply. The revised constitution to be submitted to OSCR - MMcD to action.
- SF/JT/DA to meet with James Fraser re Boulder Project.
- Refuse/Bins: MM to contact Stirling Council re amount of rubbish and lack of bins in Balmaha.
- MM to contact LLTNP re bins being removed without consultation. There has been an indication from Gordon Watson the bins may be reinstated.

10. Next Meeting

Next meeting, Thursday 7 June 2018, 7.30pm at Passfoot Cottage. Please forward any items for the agenda to margaret@thebuzzgroup.co.uk a day or two before the meeting.