

Meeting of Trustees

Date: Tuesday 16 April 2024

Location: St Mocha Coffee Shop, 7:30pm



Present: Walter McAllister, Margaret McDonald, Maureen Saunders, Arthur Hannan, David Fraser, Dave Arcari, Fiona Taylor COSS

1. **Apologies** Jennifer Dodd, Louise Doherty, Sandy Fraser
2. **Minutes of previous meeting** (06/02/2024) Proposed AH, Seconded MS
3. **Community Asset Transfer (CAT) - Balmaha Car Park**
The 11th legal Decision Date expired on 12 April 2024. Stirling Council (SC) have failed to meet their legal obligations under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
Fiona Taylor, Community Ownership Support Service (COSS) joined the meeting via Zoom. She has spoken with Tracey Mills, SC officer, who advised that the panel has made a decision and it is with the Chief Operation Officer for sign off at the latest by Thursday 18 April. After a delay of 8 months to validate the CAT request and multiple delays, SC have realised Standing Orders require a committee of elected members to endorse the officers' decision. FT explained the legal process and the options. Trustees agreed to delay the appeal and review process for 2 days until Thursday 18 April after which the ELLCT will start the 20 day appeal process which will officially start from the decision date of 18/4/24
4. **Affordable Housing Balmaha**
Rural Stirling Housing Association have revised the tender application which was due to go out mid April and is due back mid May.
5. **Meeting with Roads Officer**
Present were Margaret McDonald, David Fraser, Robert Fleming SC, Wullie Collins (SC)
a) Strategic Timber Transport Scheme (STTS) - SC will survey the C6 and prepare a report for the STTS in preparation for phased bid applications over several years.
b) Footpath B837 - there has been contact with West Highland Way (WHW) officer, SC and LLTNP officials regarding the dangerous condition of the path. SC reported work was halted due to budget reallocation. The work will start again when budget is available.
6. **Hydro Scheme Applications**
It was decided to apply for funds for:
1) Christmas event. 2) Website costs 3) Community Summer Event 4) Stationery **MMcD to action**
7. **Noticeboards**
Cashel Hydro scheme have agreed to fund 3 noticeboards.
8. **AGM**
The AGM date is Tuesday 11 June.
9. **AOCB**
9.1 Milton of Buchanan Primary School site was discussed. SC have not respond to the Expression of Interest (EOI). It was decided to initiate an CAT for the school. **MMcD to action**
9.2 The closure of the treatment room in the Drymen Medical Centre is proposed. **MMcD to write to elected members to lobby for it to remain open.**

Next Meeting

Left open pending the outcome of the Asset Transfer Request (ATR)