



Meeting Minutes

Held at: Muir Cottage, Rhynie

Thursday 14 January 2016 8pm

Present: Averil Stewart, Debbi Beeson, Diane Mathieson, Colin Neesom, Mike Davies

1. Apologies for Absence – George Beverley

2. Review of last meeting's minutes

3. Scottish Land Fund

- Those present have reviewed the report received and agreed that there are some areas that we need to address ahead of making further applications. One in particular is the downturn of members since the previous AGM. Whilst this number has increased again, they are not yet back to previous levels. See – Communication with members on how we wish to address this.
- SLF Final Minutes Report .
 - i. This report is not one that we had been given prior to issuing our communication to members. It was forwarded on to us by Amanda Reid and we believe this is because she has lodged a Freedom of Information application with them. For this reason we feel that we should be able to apply for the same to allow us to see who the objections came from and what the actual objections are. **Action – MD**
- Assessment Report
- Case Officer Report
- Email from David Knight
 - i. Confirms that there is nothing stopping us re-applying if we address the concerns raised in the documents

4. Emails from Amanda Reid

- Agreed the responses to be issued to Amanda and Mike will deal with this
- Following Amanda's earlier emails we have agreed to add the papers – detailing the reasons for the application being unsuccessful on to our website. **Action – MD - Complete**

5. RCT 100 Club

- Standing Order Mandate now available. Colin to go round to those who have already indicated they wish to pay in this way and arrange for forms to be completed. **Action – CN**
- Aberdeenshire Council – awaiting license from Council. Averil to advise Colin when this has been received. **Action - AS**
- First Draw date – still to be agreed – awaiting licence
- Lottery Returns to be completed and returned to Council – returns is quarterly. **Action – AS/CN**

6. Leader Funding

- Agreed that we would put the application for Leader funding on hold until we can fully review the rejection letters from Scottish Land Fund and make any suggested improvements

7. Communication with members

- Diane has confirmed that she would be happy to knock on doors and try and get the membership numbers up. She would also take to opportunity to speak to people about what they feel the village actually needs. **Action – DM**
- Averil to send over the previous questionnaire as a starting point – **Action – AS - complete.**

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- Averil to send on membership application forms – **Action – AS – complete**
- Debbi has also advise that she is due to attend a meeting in Lumsden and will report back on the outcome – **Action – DB**

8. Just Giving Page

- Mike to arrange for this to be cancelled. Despite advertising on our website and newsletters to members there has been no take up

9. AOCB

- Business Cards – Averil to arrange for these to be produced. **Action – AS**
- Prize Draw – to be held for December 2015 and January 2016 **Action – CN**