Gargunnock Community Trust Directors Meeting

Thursday 29 June 2017

Present

Jackie Campbell, Douglas Johnston, Geoff Peart, Stuart Ogg, Edmond Mansion, Jeremy Wilkinson, Dave King

Apologies

Elizabeth Mansion, Lovat MacGregor, Iain Gulland, Mike Pizey, Gavin Fleming

The focus of this meeting was to discuss the Windfarm monies and the operation of the Funding Panel.

There were two main issues arising from the first meeting of the Funding panel which focused on discussions regarding its operations, these were:

- Relationship between the Trust, which has the accountability for the windfarm monies, and the Funding Panel
- Funding for Carol's role.

During the discussion it was agreed that it was important that any arrangements needed to reflect the content of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Trust and Foundation Scotland.

The existing draft Terms of Reference for the Windfarm Fund Panel were reviewed in detail and suggested changes were identified in order to ensure they reflected the Memorandum of Understanding and the fact that the Trust has the accountability and responsibility for the dispersal of the Windfarm monies so is required to ensure that the governance of the Panel meets with the requirements of OSCR and Company law.

It was agreed that Douglas J would update the draft Terms of Reference for the Windfarm Panel and prepare a draft funding strategy as required by the MoU to provide a framework within which the funding will be allocated and the Funding Panel will operate.

These would be discussed further at the next meeting.

It was also suggested that a flow chart should be developed to show the mechanisms for applications to be made for the funding and how the decision making process would operate. This would help the Funding Committee move forward to being able to promote applications for the funding from local groups.

Jackie agreed to draft a flow chart to be discussed at the next meeting.

Jeremy raised a query regarding individuals/groups who did not comprise a constituted body but had project ideas for the village e.g. refurbishing the beeches walk and wondered whether these would be taken on by the Trust. Douglas J explained that they could be taken forward by the interested individuals under the auspices of the Trust.

It was confirmed that the existing website domain name could no longer be used so a new site would need to be developed for the village. It was possible that establishing this could be eligible for Stirling Council funding under the Community Connect initiative.

It was agreed that the Trust should meet again on Wednesday 13 July at 8.00pm

Future dates are:

Thursday 13 July 2017 Thursday 17 August 2017 Thursday 19 October 2017 Thursday 7 December 2017