



The work of the directors supports the environmental, social and economic wellbeing of the community of Alyth

Minutes for Meeting of Directors: 3.8.2020 7:00 pm via Zoom

1. Standing items/compliance

- a. Attendees/guests *Joined by K. Mackenzie and apologies from the Chair and post meeting apologies from AS.*
- b. Minutes from last meeting *approved*
- c. Financial reports DW
*DW noted that as of 1 August all monies granted to ACSG from external sources had been transferred to their bank account. We are in good shape on reporting for these grants and are confident that we will be able to access any information needed despite not holding the funding. We will be approaching Temporis about recouping administrative costs for this year as they have already approved in principle (including remuneration for an independent examination of our accounts, in keeping with best practice). Regarding this year's AGM, we will for the first time have the independent financial review completed before the meeting and it was agreed that we would announce the meeting as widely as possible with a minimum of 3 weeks notice and we would aim for an early October date. All agreed that having past grantees talk about their work at the meeting was successful last year and will be repeated. We would very much like to have an in-person meeting even if socially distanced. **Next actions:** RYWT and DW as sec and treasurer should develop draft agenda for directors' review.*
- d. Comms report: *gratefully received*

2. For discussion/decision/update

- a. Resilience planning: plan review and comms strategy RYWT
*All agreed that we want to structure accessible opportunities for community response to our draft thoughts. Specific questions to the community in a "drop in" or clinic type event would most likely yield the clearest input, and an online questionnaire would also give us information in a more formal way. We are very keen to involve the community at all stages as resilience teams are being assembled over the coming months, and also to be sure that the living document that is the Resilience Manual for Alyth is available to all in both printed and online form when produced. **Next actions:** RYWT, SM and KC will work on an outline communications plan and structure for the consultation/education resilience day to be held in mid-October. The Alyth Voice will do a story in advance on our work in partnership with ACSG and we will follow up on the information that the Voice has already begun to share about our preliminary work with ACSG on resilience.*
- b. Alyth Website and The Story Box: update CS

Website conversation deferred to next agenda for further action, Story Box books being added now and all suggestions welcomed.

- c. SCVO membership KC
*Unanimously agreed we should sign up. **Next action:** RYWT to sign us up.*
- d. Regenerative Tourism: update RYWT
Strong interest from Councillors and the CEO of Visit Scotland, consultative meeting set.
- e. Gift Aid* state of play CS
Next action: *DW and SM to review the work/benefit ratio and bring a proposed action on this to the next meeting.*
- f. Climate Challenge Fund activities update CS
First event held and a great success – lessons learned on production tips! Next session has good interest and future sessions now being created. Some ideas mooted included a primer on Climate Change, specific programs on growing food, soil quality and importance, and CS welcomes any other suggestions.
- g. Jubilee Park plans, TCV involvement KC, RYWT
Support for involving organized volunteers and DW reports that Sustrans would like to hear more about this. While we are still absent a project champion we are beginning to shape a vision for the work on this. We will still seek a champion.
- h. The Dog Poo Fairy thedogpoo fairy.com RYWT
Innovative solution to dog waste issues, and the founder of the organisation invited to join us for a brief presentation at the next meeting.
- i. Renewable energy for Alyth: update CS
- j. Strategy review: funding social entrepreneurs in Alyth NM, RYWT
Deferred to next meeting
- k. Grants for 2020, updates and Community Panel RYWT, DW
recruitment RYWT has written to a couple of community leaders and will write to more to suggest names to add capacity to this panel. We are keen to continue building this independent adjudicating panel which reviews all of our community project grants as a diverse and representative group, with broad knowledge of our community. NB: reports requested for all grants and those submitted can be found here: <https://www.dropbox.com/home/ADTrust/Tullymurdoch%20Windfarm%20Fund/Community%20Projects%20Fund/CPG%20final%20reports%202019-2020> grant chart update can be found here: <https://www.dropbox.com/scl/fi/tobq4npbc5ouhmdy88c2e/Grant-record-sheet-July-2020.docx?dl=0&rlkey=sn49b48q4l9a7fi71a914soen>

3. Wrap up and commitments/actions *as noted above*

4. Next Meeting will be 7 September 2020 at 7 PM on Zoom