



COLLIESTON & SLAINS COMMUNITY TRUST

MINUTES MEETING 7 NOVEMBER 2005

Minutes of the 6 October meeting proposed, seconded and approved by the Committee.

Matters Arising

- Member had not contacted Scottish Water re enquiry into whether a road could be built on top of a sewer - this is now unnecessary.
- CADISPA has given written confirmation that any monies we raise will count as a percentage towards funding. Member to circulate letter to Committee.
- Fund raising team have meantime decided not to pursue the idea of a money slot telescope.

Discussion on Energy Strategy

Chairman reported he will contact member and asked him to pursue the invite to SCARF (Save Cash & Reduce Fuel) to one of our meetings.

Another member also had a contact re energy efficiency and this should be followed up.

Several members attended the Aberdeen Offshore Wind Farm exhibition and left their contact details to receive follow up information.

CADISPA Meeting - Nairn 3 December

Two members originally scheduled to attend the above meeting, but due to a change of date they are both unable to go. Its absolutely essential we send representatives as it was organised for our benefit. Chairman to contact another member and ask him if he can attend. Another member to confirm with Chairman whether she can attend.

Aberdeenshire Council Update

Chairman read a draft of a letter he proposed we send to Aberdeenshire Council Area Manager. The Committee was happy with this letter, but after some discussion decided not to copy it to Strutt & Parker, Factor of Slains Estate, instead Chairman to draft a letter to Strutt & Parker to inform them of our plans

Business Plan

Member has a business planning guide to developing a social enterprise and she will email this to the Committee. Secretary to email Chairman latest copy of business plan. Solicitor will change the wording and then lodge them. Member has some PowerPoint slides which he has prepared.

Architectural Report

Two members have identified a couple of grants that we might be able to apply for. Architectural consultant emailed and member to follow this up. We need a separate meeting to go through the architectural brief.

We need to know how much land we have before the architectural competition. Two members had met with a representative of Strutt & Parker about two years ago - member to give date of that meeting to Chairman. We need to reopen a dialogue with them.

Member raised a possible additional firm of architects at Camphill Community.

Once the Committee has agreed the brief it will be publicised and comments welcome.

Fund Raising

£18240 raised. Balance in bank as at 2nd November £17776.09.

Still to get the final bar bill for the ceilidh, so final amount for this unknown.

Quiz compiled at 50p each.

Money still coming in from the calendars.

Next event is the Xmas raffle, quiz and pub night on 17 December.

Funding Strategy

Member reported that the CADISPA meeting in Nairn should be very valuable in helping us to sort out the funding cycle. Member has a business planning guide to developing a social enterprise and she will email this to the Committee.

Two members to get information on funders. Member to create a prioritised spreadsheet of funders and the funding cycle for the next meeting.

We need to identify the bigger funders and start setting up meetings with them.

This may entail going to Edinburgh to meet them and to give presentations.

Question for solicitor re our eligibility for the land fund.

Website

Webmasters need to meet and will try and arrange a suitable date.

Members to get information on the Data Protection Act.

Date of Next Meeting - Monday 5th December 2005