



**COLLIESTON & SLAINS COMMUNITY TRUST
MINUTES
MEETING 10 JULY 2006**

Present: Steve Rainey, Fiona Chaplain, Susan Somner, Elizabeth Hay, Alan White, Andrew Hill

Apologies: Roddy Junor, Jack Page, Peter Somner, Vicky McNiff, John Hitchcock, Ian Bell

Minutes of 12 June 2006 meeting proposed by Alan White, seconded by Elizabeth Hay and approved by the Committee.

1. Treasurer's Update

Current balance as at 22 June 2006 £19942.97

Susan reported she had received all the paperwork back from the accountant.

Susan to get quotes for a new accountant for next year.

Peter following up VAT issue

Sponsorship money for the calendar now coming in and as we will be selling the calendars online, Susan reported she had contacted the Data Protection Office and was informed that as long as we were not doing credit reference checks or selling information then we did not need to be registered. Alan will ask Sarah Menzies if she has any further information.

2. Architectural Workgroup Report

Action List Update

- Jack to write questions for architectural competition **ONGOING**
- Jack to circulate report on shortlist of architects and decision process

Architects aware the project has been delayed for a month and we are waiting to hear from Slains Estate re the land issue. We need to get back to them by the end of July with an update.

Charles Rattray wrote and thanked us for the picture, which he was delighted with.

3. Aberdeenshire Council Update

Steve reported that the Community Development Group awarded CASCT/Amenities Committee £2000 donation. Steve to contact Sally to clarify who the donation was made to.

Steve reported Gordon Daniels had contacted him to query whether we were planning to build the new hall in a site remote from the existing hall. He had perceived this impression from a conversation he had with Michael Milligan. Steve explained to him that this was not the case.

4. Slains Estate Update

Steve had previously sent email outlining his meeting with two representatives of Slains Estate. They are having a board meeting at the end of July where the land issue will be discussed. Steve to write to directors thanking them for meeting him before then.

There was a discussion on the land issue and Elizabeth to write a report on the pros and cons for the next meeting. Susan suggested we all meet and inspect the site.
Alan will make enquiries re public liability insurance.

5. Funding Strategy Workgroup Report

Action List Update

- Susan and Peter to create a cash flow model **ONGOING**

Alan and Steve progressing Awards For All grant for the architectural competition. It is now almost ready and it is hoped to submit it this week.

Big Lottery Grant to be pursued at next meeting. Neil Ironside sent details of workshop in September and we will need a couple of people to attend this.

Alan has spoken to Paul Ritchie re the grant for the Dolphin Gallery. Paul has received a grant of £500 from the Gordon Arts Forum and Susan has paid this into the account.

This year the Dolphin Gallery gala day profits are going to the Pier. Susan queried whether this year the money was being paid directly into the harbour account or going through the CASCT account. Alan to discuss this point with Steve and Paul.

6. Business Plan Workgroup Report

Action List Update

- Steve to contact Rob Nash re tourism

Andrew to give business plan model and feasibility plan for running a restaurant to the workgroup.

Steve to give Shirley a call re progress on the retail workgroup

Alan meeting Sarah Menizes of CADISPA tomorrow and Steve to give him the comments on the business plan workshop report

Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) publish an e-newsletter which contains information that might be useful. Alan to get Fiona onto the circulation list.

Susan reported an advert for Boyndie wind farm was in the P&J. She will email the details to Steve.

Elizabeth reported that Scottish Executive now a quota on 10% sustainable energy to fulfil. Steve to contact John re the energy workgroup progress.

Ken to join the retail workgroup.

Fiona to remind everyone to complete their CV and return it to Vicky.

7. AOB

- Discussion re Calor Gas Community application. Everyone agreed this was now looking very good and with a few more changes would be complete. Niki Tait congratulated everyone who had participated
- Discussion re placement of Q&A's on the website
- Tricia Davidson would like to get involved in business workgroup later in the year
- Susan will put copies of the minutes in the shop

8. Date of Next Meeting

Monday 7 August 2006 at Steve Rainey's