

Minutes of meeting held on 29 March 2019 in Burgh Chambers

Present: C.Corden M.Griffiths H.Gunkel M.Heen S.Holden L Isgrove A.Mitchell D.Moore
M.Moore F.Park P.Prescott J.Snodin M.Warnock B.McKay A.Docherty S.Winstone

Apologies: L.Cameron

1. **Minutes of February meeting:** Approved. prop P.Prescott ; sec S.Holden
2. **Asset Transfer**

2.1.Callander Community Woodland Group: A full report had been circulated to the Board, and it was noted that the community survey could still be responded to, on line or in paper form. The CCWG team, a multi-expertise group, are monitoring and adding information to the community consultation on a regular basis. The panel which considers asset transfer requests will not meet till June, giving time for the above community consultation to be extended.

2.2 Car parks etc: Maps provided from Stirling Council show that there is doubt about ownership of several areas, and questions for clarification have been put to various relevant departments of SC. After clarification a study will be commissioned to ascertain what sections are viable propositions for transfer.

3 Callander Landscape Partnership: All 20 projects are progressing. Updates on two of these projects are:

Paths from town centre to Bracklinn Falls should be completed by September, but repair work has first to be done by SC on a section undertaken unsuccessfully.

Leny Falls project is still in discussion with Transport Scotland about access by road crossing, which impacts on plans for access by bridge/ from car parking.

4 Visitor Information Centre/ Business hub: Discussions are moving ahead to re-open the TIC which closed earlier in the month. Groups involved...CCC, CCDT, Loch Katrine Steamship Co, SC and LLTNP. To date the plan is for LLTNP to lease the premises to the group; for LKS to have their booking/sales office there, with a member of their staff; SC to provide essential working equipment; the community to provide volunteer information staff (to be trained by Visit Scotland). It is hoped that some income might be raised by offering business space /office space to other groups/ companies. A company will be set up to set up and manage the project, which will be a test to establish the need for/ success of the project 2019/20 and beyond.

It was proposed that CCDT take the lead in this project, collaborating with others as above

Prop: D.Moore ; sec: H. Gunkel The meeting approved(unanimous)

It was proposed that a subsidiary company be set up with minimum of 2 directors from CCDT

Prop: P.Prescott; sec: M.Griffiths The meeting approved (unanimous)

And **It was proposed that the subsidiary company be authorised to progress the project and provide monthly reports.** The meeting approved (unanimous)

CCDT directors of new company will be F.Park, A.Mitchell, S.Holden

5. Summerfest: The programme is almost full, covering a wide variety of indoor and outdoor activities, and involving many community groups and guest performers and specialists.

6. Town Coordinator: The main projects currently occupying the work of the TC are ATG, Summerfest, and Visitor Info Centre, as well as supporting many other community activities. An extension of the Scottish Govt's PCF fund for first quarter 2019/20 has been awarded to the TC post (under Callander Regeneration Project) but beyond June 2019 new match funding must be sought for the post.

7 Finances: The CCDT General fund stands at £ 19971.75 as of 29 March. All ring fenced.

8. Reports: Those circulated: Callander Community Woodland Group, Callander Enterprise, Greener Callander, McLaren Leisure Centre. It was noted that Callander Community Hydro hopes to pay off loans earlier than forecast as recent production has been greater than anticipated.

9. Any other business: L.Isgrove reported on a STEP seminar she had attended at which a new app was launched...free for businesses to be listed on it...aimed at tourists.

The local touch screen in Ancaster Square has been replanned, but noted that no local consultation had been undertaken, so this should be monitored and feed back provided about its effectiveness/ relevance to Callander/ improvement or otherwise.

Date of next meeting: Friday 26 April at 10am in Burgh Chambers.

These minutes approved by the Board and signed by Frank Park, Chairman, 26 April 2019