

## Minutes of meeting of CCDT Board on 29 August 2023 in VIC

**Present:** T.Kliskey P.Prescott M.Moore F.Park G.Kerr M.Griffiths A.Boa T.Thompson  
S.Bell C.Fingland M.Holloway

**Apologies:** G.Fischbacher D.Moore B.McKay S.MacKay

**1. Welcome** Monica Holloway was welcomed as a representative for Callander Heritage Society. It was agreed that S MacKay would remain as the representative Trustee for the time being, but M Holloway would attend the meetings on their behalf. To be reviewed once S MacKay's future availability is confirmed.

### **2. Minutes of the July Board Meeting were approved**

Prop: M.Griffiths ; sec: T.Kliskey

### **3. Matters arising/ updates**

**3.1 AGM Date & Contacting Members** The date of the next AGM was agreed to be 10am on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Venue to be confirmed. Notice to be put in BLV's October/November Issue. Current email list of members to be contacted with details which will aid in checking the current membership list.

#### **3.2 Finance Update**

**3.2.1 Audit** It was confirmed that the Audit was progressing with no issues identified so far.

**3.2.2 Advice from Dickson Middleton re CCHL Investment** It was noted that DM had no issue with the planned investment in CCHL on the basis that sufficient assessment that it is the right investment opportunity for the Trust is done and that regular ongoing support would not be required.

**3.3 Cycle Share Scheme Update** The Active Travel group reported that there has been a follow up meeting to discuss grant funding for a potential Cycle Share Scheme. An EOI is to be completed on behalf of CCDT to fund a pilot scheme to run from June to August 2024 based on a residents subscription model as with the Drymen Pilot. Jim Ruach will continue to support this in his role as Active Travel Officer and Wheels are happy to provide a maintenance contract for the scheme.

- 3.4 Callander Landscape Website** Proposal from Interesting Digital circulated prior to meeting. LLTNP are still to confirm whether they will fund the continuation of the website. It was agreed that we would only take on responsibility if the LLTNP provide the funding in advance. However we should ask Interesting Digital to confirm what the licensing costs for Storymap are.
- 3.5 Callander Partnership Meeting** This took place on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August. It was noted that there was a disappointing level of representation from SC. It was proposed that a contact directory for both SC and LLTNP would be useful for the CCC & CCDT Board and that Councillors should be approached to see if this could be provided. It was also noted that the NP were disappointed that individual trustees had not responded to the consultation on the NP Partnership Plan. Future consultations should be responded to accordingly.
- 3.6 Joint CCC & CCDT Meeting** Appreciation was expressed to Imagine If for the organisation and format of the meeting which led to a good level of discussion. It was noted that the need for a community space was very evident from the meeting. The need for more regular joint meetings and communication was expressed and it was proposed that an LPP Steering group should be created with a couple of representatives from each organisation to aid in the delivery of projects and swifter decision making. It was agreed that there should be a document created that clearly outlines the roles of both CCC & CCDT for circulation to both organisations and publicised to the community to alleviate any current confusion.
- 3.7 Development Officer Update** It was reported that LLTNP are to remove the film on the window imminently so work can commence on the window display as soon as possible. Current priority is work on the community hub. It was noted that the lease for 43 Main Street is being reviewed by DTAS and the pre-planning decision is due on Friday as to whether a full change of use application is required. A discussion took place on whether the VIC space could be used as a pilot instead. It was decided an additional meeting of the board be arranged for Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 5pm to finalise whether or not to proceed with the lease.
- It was agreed that the event scheduled for 16<sup>th</sup> September be postponed to the third week of October if possible, SC to be approached to amend the date of the booking of Ancaster Square.
- 3.8 Community Ownership Fund – Possible Feasibility Study re Primary School** It was noted that there could be many future uses for the Primary School, including Heritage/Arts Centre, Performance Space and Tertiary Education. Before any application is made for a feasibility study however a clear proposal should be drawn up for discussion. The Legal Status of tenure of the building and Heritage status should also be established.

## **4. Reports**

### **4.1 Community Hydro Fund Report (Circulated)**

### **4.2 VIC Report (Circulated)**

### **4.3 Greener Callander/CWG Report (Circulated)**

### **4.4 MCLC Report (Circulated)**

**4.5 Heritage Society** It was noted that £91 has been raised from the sale of the previously free Stories of the Stones booklet in the VIC. A new booklet is being printed thanks to the grant received from the Community Hydro Fund. Progress is being made on both the Vault preparations and the digital archive.

**4.6 Primary School Council** It was reported that a public consultation will take place on the Monday 18th September at the Primary school. This is to give interested parties an opportunity to express their opinions on the school's proposed relocation.

**4.7 CYP** reported a successful summer both in bookings and in the Youth Provision which was the best supported ever with children for a wider catchment area. The Youth Club has reached capacity for P6 with P7 close to capacity as well. The Youth Space opened last Monday with a lot of young people using it, there is therefore a need to staff it.

## **5. Any other business**

**5.1 Callander Enterprise** Efforts are still being made to increase membership of those in the town. Current issues being raised for discussion are increased rents without upkeep of the buildings, business rates and VAT for Hospitality businesses.

Agreed by Board and Signed by F Park (Chair) on 26th September 2023.