



**DCDT Enterprise Company
Directors Meeting – 24th May 2021 (Zoom Call)**

Directors Present: Richard Boddington (RB), Ewan MacKay (EM), Paul Saunders (PS), David Mackie (DM), Struan Robb (SR)

Non-Directors Present: Robert Coleman (RC), Katy Gibb (KG), Rae Gibb (RG), Louise MacInnes (LM)

Item	Discussion	Actioner
1.	<p>DOCUMENTS PROVIDED:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Agenda b. Ideas Register (EM) c. Logo options document (Discover Drymen dev 2) (PS) d. Active Travel Action Plan (draft) (RB) e. Passing Through – Residents of Drymen document (KG) <p>APOLOGIES Davie Allan (DA) unable to attend.</p> <p>APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING Minutes of 26 April 2021 meeting proposed by DM & seconded by KG.</p> <p>MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>a. NHS Tree The tree has been purchased (£50) and a bronze plaque is to be ordered (~£150). Wording was agreed by all, theme of thanking the NHS, funded by Kenneth Cameron. One we know delivery date of plaque then an event will be organised to plant in the Medical Centre Grounds. Ensure members of Covid support team are invited.</p> <p><i>Actions: Order Plaque (EM), Organise date for planting and invite people (PS).</i></p> <p>b. Piping in the Square Doune, Helensburgh, Strathendrick have all been contacted. Waiting to hear back from them.</p> <p><i>Action: KG to chase them up.</i></p> <p>c. Stirling Council Roads Dept. Meeting arranged with Stirling Council for Wednesday 2 June to discuss the square, active travel and other areas that they can support us.</p> <p>d. Visitor Management (ELLVMG) update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There have been problems with incorrect information on the electronic info boards – should now be fixed. • NPA are bidding for funding for ELL infrastructure. 	<p>EM, PS</p> <p>KG</p>

- The remaining cycle path section to Balmaha has planning and is waiting on remaining funding.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP(EM)**

As of 29th April, we have £50003.81 in the bank, however taking into account the variance's below we have £49,781.50 of which £44,414.09 is restricted and £5,367.41 is unrestricted. The Variance shown is the items highlighted in yellow which have not hit the bank account yet.

- £-93.36 – The next payment to 3 for the digital inclusion project comes out the bank on the 17th of the month.
- £-128.95- Zurich Insurance.

Notable changes in the period to our financial position are receipt of £3700 in Grant funding from the Stirling Council Community Pride fund. HMRC for Gift aid for the 20/21 financial period, this will amount to £298.23 has still to be submitted.

Proposals for review

- In previous years the costs for insurance and auditing have been taken out of the Paths fund. I would propose we fund these out of our general reserves going forward – **AGREED BY ALL**
- I understand that the council will not be planting the beds around the war memorial this year, as a result Drymen in bloom is going to be carrying out the work and will have to purchase extra bedding plants. I would like to propose that we offer a donation to Drymen in Bloom of £200 to help with the additional costs – **AGREED BY ALL** (but DM has also donated money. Check if still required by DiB.)
- The Covid team as requested that we keep the digital inclusion project running, please confirm that you are happy with this – **AGREED BY ALL**

Grants

- Grant from the National Lottery for funds to Develop a Web site. - £3600 - Awarded
- Grant from the Stirling Community Pride fund for Developing the Web Site Content - £1200 - Awarded
- Grant from the Stirling Community Pride fund for the Square Parking Place Repairs - £1500 - Awarded
- Grant from the Stirling Community Pride fund for Information Boards - £1390 - £1000 - Awarded
- Magic Wee Grant from the Post Code Lottery for Information Boards / History Walk - £500 – Awarded
- Nature Scot – Better Places Fund - £15,318 - Awarded
- £1000 friends of Loch Lomond
- £1000 Drymen Community Council
- We have Withdrawn our funding application to Viridor Credits, as the work is now funded in full by the Nature Scot Award, this will allow us to resubmit another application later in the year for works next year, should we wish.
- A grant application has been made to the Coop Community fund on behalf of the Food Shed to fund the shopping for a further year - £2080.
- A grant application has been made to the Foyle foundation to fund the digital inclusion project - £1120.
- A grant application has been made to round 2 of Nature Scot – Better Places Fund for bike parking in the square - £1500.

5.	<p>Annual Accounts DM approved and SR seconded the annual accounts.</p> <p>Membership Our Membership has remained at 134 Members this period.</p> <p>PROGRESS REPORTS</p> <p>a. Discover Drymen Logo The revised logo options provided in the “Discover Drymen dev 2” document were reviewed and discussed. Various alternative ideas were suggested, including a WHW style signpost, Drymen bridge and Drymen square. Colour options were also discussed. The conclusion reached was that, given the limited time available for various projects that need the logo, we would stick with the original logo of four D’s in a circle.</p> <p>b. Village Website Mhairi is gathering the information required. PS is creating the website. To be proofed by 14 June for launch on 21 June. <i>Action: RB to provide 300 words on active travel</i> <i>Action: EM and RB to proof by 14 June</i></p> <p>c. RSPB Board Programmed in for production in August/September. RC will share drafts once he has them. <i>Action: PS to share colour palettes and logo to assist with board design.</i></p> <p>d. Drymen Square Board Text contents have been drafted, reviewed and are almost done. Currently lacking illustrations and pictures. Suggestions made:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DM’s recently completed painting of the square • OS map from 1770 (LM has, but copyright issues?) • LM has Drymen photos from 1880. • Note: Historical maps of Drymen are available online e.g. here on ARCHI <p><i>Action: To ask for permission to use maps from OS (LM)</i> <i>Action: To make digital images of hard copy maps and pictures (PS)</i></p> <p>e. Heritage Trail A short and long route were discussed at a recent (separate) meeting on the square, each with a number of points of interest (POIs) on it. It was agreed that a short piece of audio be recorded for each POI, describing an event or scene at that location at a specific time in history. Each piece of audio would be available on the Drymen website (from a QR code on the heritage tour info board). Phase 2 could include an app for the audio tour, or signs at each POI with a QR code linking to the audio. <i>Action: Ensure History Society are credited on boards</i> <i>Action: LM and KT to consider the event/scene that could be linked to each POI.</i> <i>Action: LM and KT to talk to Killearn about their Heritage Trail.</i></p>	<p>RB EM/RB</p> <p>PS</p> <p>LM PS</p> <p>TBC LM/KT LM/KT</p>
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	<p><i>Action: Contact wider community (members, FB, Drymen Reporter etc.) to ask for stories/images of Drymen.</i></p> <p>f. Locations of boards Suggested replacing the existing one sided board frame with a 3 sided version, to allow 3 boards to be in one place without increasing the amount of street furniture. EM suggested modifying the existing structure, but it was agreed that it was better to approach the NPA for support in the first instance. A portrait format was discussed (0.6m by 1.0m or slightly larger mentioned previously).</p> <p><i>Action: Pass board size to RC once known to ensure consistency across RSPB boards.</i></p> <p><i>Action: Approach NPA to request support in sourcing a 3-sided board structure.</i></p> <p>g. Village Square repairs NatureScot funding awarded, and contract awarded to Stirling Community Enterprise (contracts division). Planned start date is mid-June, reliant on delivery of grey tumbled monoblocks at this time. Aiming to complete work by end of June. David Warnes and Gordon Strang are aware of potential disruption over the construction period.</p> <p><i>Action: EM to talk to a pothole contractor about temporary pothole repair.</i></p>	<p>PS</p> <p>TBC</p> <p>PS</p> <p>EM</p>
6.	<p>AGM PLANNING</p> <p>a. Agenda & Format Zoom meeting proposed.</p> <p>b. Active Travel Update/Presentation Comments on draft report – change cover to Drymen square photo with NCN sign? Change wording around the paths leaflet to update of existing. Mention Endura.</p> <p><i>Action: RB to work on presentation with Jim Riach to present survey findings and recommendations.</i></p> <p>c. Member Invite Members to be invited at least 3 weeks before the AGM, i.e., by Sunday 30 May. Accounts to be circulated as part of invite.</p> <p>d. Board Nominations Existing board members indicated that they would be happy to remain on the board for the next year.</p>	<p>RB</p>
7.	<p>AOCB n/a</p>	
8.	<p>Dates for future meetings AGM: Monday 21 June. Informal July meeting: Monday 26 July suggested.</p>	