

Strathnairn Community Woodland – Minutes

Date and time	11 April 2016 19.30hrs
Location	Farr Community Hall
Purpose	General Meeting
Present	D Longdon, M. McDonald, J. Scott. S Lamont, H Forbes,D.Thompson
Apologies	P.Lawton; P.Christie.
In attendance	Stuart Paterson
Chair	Marion McDonald
Minutes	D.Thompson
Minute status	

Ref	Item	Action Required
1.	Minutes of General Meeting on 14/03/16 Amendments – Nil Proposed S.Lamont; Seconded M.McDonald.	
2.	Matters Arising Path maps – Application to be submitted to SCBF for costs. Estimates of volunteer hours to be entered in the application. Completed application to be circulated before April meeting. PC has a record of volunteer hours.	MM PC
3.	Finance Windblow - £11491.22 owed to G.Barclay. There are delays between uplift and payment. G.Barclay is paid when Scottish Woodlands pay SCW. Payments to G.Barclay made on a monthly basis. The meeting agreed to pay 2/3 of what is owed this month. Current balance is £68405.	SP
4.	Harvesting The certificate of approval for tree felling, following on from the amendments to the Forest plan, has been received. It was decided to leave the trees standing along the s/w fenceline in School Wood. They can be reviewed in the autumn. The south end is to remain closed off with signs in place. The roadside path is open. The north end is now open for the public after clearing by volunteers. Social activities have now started up again in School Wood. One tree across the path at the south end to be cleared by DL and HF. BTCV insurance is due for renewal. HF to be added to the list of machine operators. The forestry operations in Milton Wood should be finished by the end of May. Pond area in Milton still to be cleared. There is a site visit by Froglife on Tuesday 19 th April at 12 noon. All directors invited.	DL HF SP DT

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5.	<p>Panorama A new draft was circulated at the meeting. Some adjustments still required to layout and gaelic wording. The next draft will be circulated for comments before the April meeting.</p> <p>Discussion of costs followed. Options are: Sign Centre – Dibond and printing £108 Acorn Signs – Dibond and print with reverse printed polycarbonate £138. 10mm PVC backing and reverse polycarbonate £180. Dibond has a life of 5yrs. Reverse polycarbonate life of 8-10yrs. Fading and weather a big factor. The meeting decided on Dibond with a plastic cover on top. To go on a larch plinth 1.70 x 0.46m. Plinth To be priced. To get firm quotes from Sign centre and Acorn Signs first. To enquire on exact monies held by Community Council for J. Myall.</p>	<p>SP</p> <p>DL SP SP</p>
6.	<p>Action log Updated.</p>	<p>All</p>
7.	<p>Warden reports.</p> <p>Nil due to wood closures.</p>	
8.	<p>Events. No decision on an opening event taken. Updates to go in the next CC newsletter. Also a thanks to Andrew Elam for his contribution.</p> <p>AOCB.</p> <p>Rural Payments(SAF) for 2016. Submission needed by 16/05/16.</p> <p>Stratherrick residents contacted SL. They are planning a community wood. Would like to meet SCW for ideas/advice. To be invited to attend a general meeting at Farr Hall. SL to contact them.</p> <p>Andrew Elam – Andrew has resigned from the committee. A vote of thanks was given for Andrew's membership and support both as a director and active volunteer/ chain saw operator with SCW. (Hopefully he is still available if needed!) The members wished him well in his future career.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>DT DL</p> <p>SL</p> <p>ALL</p>
9.	<p>Date and time of the next meeting 9th May 19.30 Farr Hall. Apologies SP;SL.</p>	<p>ALL</p>

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