

Stronsay Development Trust
A Scottish Charity SC038888

Board Meeting on 8th October 2008 in the Community Centre at 19.30
Approved Minutes

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| Present : Malcolm Addison | Mike Erdman (Chair) | Leo Martini-Brown |
| Julia Crocker | Jennifer George | Damian Stout |
| Brian Crowe | Cora Goodram | John Steenton (minutes) |

Apologies: William Caithness, Graham Sinclair

The meeting commenced at 19.35

Action

Welcome by Chair

ME welcomed everyone.

Minutes of the previous meeting

The Chair asked whether the minutes of the meeting on 16 July were a true account.

MA proposed that they were and BC seconded. The minutes were approved.

Matters arising

Appointment of an accountant to be dealt with under Treasurer's report

Correspondence (papers circulated)

ME referred to the background information and membership application for Community Energy Scotland. The board approved our membership. BC proposed **ME** and JC seconded.

JC had received a letter from the tourism focal point on Sanday asking if the North Isles could share calendars to ensure that major events do not overlap.

JC to reply that we shall endeavour to establish the main dates of events on **JC** Stronsay and let them know.

Chair's Report

The chair had nothing to report.

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Secretary's report (e-mail circulated)

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JC referred to an e-mail about partnering. The board discussed the merits of joint working especially for the Wind Turbine project. The board's view was that a complete SDT partnership with other Community Groups was not going to be an advantage but it was worth finding out about the implications for large projects. It was agreed that JC should seek advice from Alan Caldwell.

Treasurer's report

LM-B said that £9013 had been received from Awards For All for the leaflet project.

It was agreed that we should take care about depositing any money in high interest bearing accounts because the small print on the organisation that had been considered showed a risk, which is not good in the current economic climate.

LM-B explained the new criteria for applications for OCPP grants under the Fairer Scotland Fund; reports on projects are required and it was not clear what we would submit – or how the grant was to be spent. LM-B agreed to discuss with OCPP.

LM-B

When the draft accounts are ready LM-B will have the accountant's estimates for the work and will report at the next meeting.

LM-B

Break – 20.15 to 20.20

LDO's report – deferred to the next meeting.

Sub Group Reports

JC reported that £212.50 had been raised at the sale on 27th Sept, proceeds towards the Archaeology team's accommodation costs.

JC read out the letter from SNH in which we were advised that our application for a grant for the Island Ranger has been unsuccessful. A revised job description which could be used for an HLF application was circulated for comments.

All

JC said that the Amenities sub group was meeting shortly to plan the leaflet project and would report back to the board.

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Any Other Business

JC asked whether we should be arranging for the licensee/bar work course to be delivered on the island. DS said some courses were arranged for the Hall workers and it seemed that other interested parties have arranged their own training. ME explained that he is liaising with Harbours and OIC about a slipway.

Next Meeting 27 November 19.30 Community Hall.

The meeting closed at 21.00