

Stronsay Development Trust

Board Meeting on 8 September 2010 in the Fishmart 19.30

Approved Minutes

Present: Malcolm Addison Sara Goodram Damian Stout
 Julia Crocker (Chair) Val Fraser Anthony Withers (CDO/TDO)
 Nina Gleed Marion Macleod John Steenton (Clerk)
 Cora Goodram (Powerdown)

Apologies: Lisa De Geer (Secretary)

In Attendance:

JC thanked everyone for attending.

Action

Open Meeting on 4 August 2010 (paper circulated)

JC asked if the minutes of open meeting on 4 August were a correct and true account.

MA proposed CG seconded and the minutes were approved.

Minutes of previous meeting (paper circulated)

JC asked if the board agreed that the minutes of the meeting on 11 August were a true account. NG proposed CG seconded and the minutes were approved.

Chairs report

A great deal of work continues with regard to the two main projects (EZ and Turbine) JC asked the board and employees to stick to Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays if possible and only contact her on Trust business out of these hours in the case of a real emergency. Yvonne Weaver is the Stronsay Youth Development Officer, and JC felt she would be an excellent addition to the board and YW has indicated her willingness to do so. **ALL**

It was agreed that having someone representing youth interests on the board was a good example of partnership working to benefit the community. The motion to co-opt YW as a director was passed unanimously.

JC will be attending a meeting with HIE on the 5 Oct to discuss our Growth Plan which is aimed to develop board skills, communications and production of the new Community Development Plan.

Secretary's report (report circulated by chair)

Action

JC announced that the returns of the ballot on the Light haulage and Enterprise zone plan were as follows: of a total of 92 signatures, 83 agreed with the Trust proposal and 9 did not. A notice with the results will be posted in the shops and the post office. JC said that following some enquiries she felt a full explanation of the Trust's role in the community should also be produced to clarify why we are involved in the haulage proposal. This will appear in the Limpet alongside the result of the community consultation.

Correspondence

Letters have been received from: Mr B Crowe, Mr I Hockley, Mr M Burger de Fremol, and Ms V Lucas regarding either the voting process in the special Limpet or the haulage plan/enterprise zone. The board considered the letters and it was agreed that JC should reply and also make it clear in the Limpet article that an around the table discussion meeting would be arranged in October to discuss any other options for the haulage. **JC**

Powerdown officer (paper circulated)

MM gave a brief overview of her report; she also informed the board that her maternity leave is planned to start on 1 Nov with cover starting on 23 October. JC stated that interviews for Marion's maternity cover will take place on her return from holiday late Sept/early Oct. **MA/JC**
The success of the Powerdown Green Weekend was noted and JC thanked MM for her hard work towards it.

Break 20.35 till 20.45

CDO/TDO Report (paper circulated)

TW announced that North Wind Associates have become the joint project management team. Also that the Co-op, have become turbine project preferred bank for the loan.

JC reminded the board that the SRE Ltd board will need more directors, with specific skills. The board was told of two more potential directors for SRE Ltd; Andy Stennett a management accountant who has been employed by SDT carry out work on the EZ project is going to be approached to join the SRE board as their Management Accountant JC will approach him on the matter. Also suggested was Eoin Stevenson the turbine site land owner and ex SDT board member to be a non executive director of SRE Ltd. He has an interest in renewable energy and being on the board would mean he would be fully informed of developments and progress. The board agreed to appoint both of them to SRE Ltd board should they care to accept.

The BBC has confirmed that they will be coming up to film late Oct/early Nov for 'Autumn Watch'. The board felt this was a very positive thing to happen for the island and will result in us being put on the map and potentially increase tourist numbers as a result. TW is the liaison between the BBC and the island and will keep all informed of developments. **TW**

Treasurer's report

MA suggested that it would be appropriate to review SDT expenditure for the new financial year in particular to the capacity funding and Limpet costs. JC and MA to carry out this review.

MA/JC**AOB** None.

Meeting closed at 21.40

Date of next meeting will be on 13 October at the Community Centre at 19.30