



**Minutes of previous meeting** (paper circulated)

JC asked if the board agreed that the minutes of the meeting on 14 April were a true account. MA proposed, CG seconded and the minutes were approved.

**Matters arising** None.

**Correspondence**

A letter had been received from the Orkney NHS Board in reply to our letter of Jan 2010 regarding the GP service. Mr John Ross Scott, NHS Board Chair has asked us if we would host an island visit by him. He proposes to meet with the Community Council and have an open meeting for the public. JC has asked the CC when this might be convenient for them.

**Chairs report**

The Chair asked that all written reports should be ready to circulate with the agenda, which means at least 10 days before each meeting. This will help all directors to prepare for discussion especially now that we have increased level of project work.

**All**

The Chair also raised the need to manage our funds. To this end the chair proposed that any remaining Initiative at the Edge (LDO) funds be moved to a new communication fund. MA to confirm the balance of LDO funds.

**MA**

MA proposed and DF seconded the motion. JC proposed that the communications fund could be used to purchase a Digital Projector for PowerPoint presentations in order to make public meetings more professional. JC also raised the needed for the Secretary and the Chair to have office printers purchased for them. JC has used her own printer for Trust work since Nov 2007 and it is on its last legs. LDG does not have a printer at all. JC also pointed out that the CDO is paying for heat/light and office accommodation out of his own pocket to do Trust work from home, JC proposed that he should be reimbursed £15.00 per month to cover this cost. JC asked that a vote be taken on all these points. The board voted unanimously for all the proposals.

**Secretary's report**

The new email and contact telephone numbers list will be circulated.

**LDG****Powerdown report**

Stronsay Horticultural Training day was well attended and included a visit to gardens and the community greenhouse site.

The gardener/project coordinator interviews take place in the next week, with a proposed delivery date of greenhouse on 21 June 2010. The chair discussed the question of where the project will 'sit' after MM's contract ends in March 2011. The Green Project Group should have the opportunity to decide if it intends to be a self supporting group or come under the SDT umbrella. MM announced

that on 3<sup>rd</sup> till 5<sup>th</sup> September there will be a Green Festival held on Stronsay. MM is also obtaining insurance for the greenhouse.

**Break 2030 till 2040**

**Action**

### **CDO report**

TW announced that he will now be circulating his report before meetings in future. This will mean Board members will have time to study the reports prior to meetings and raise questions/queries with the CDO should they arise at the subsequent meeting. TW circulated some papers:

- The Growing Community Assets (GCA) Lottery funders have reminded us that all directors should have a personal copy of the grant offer letter with terms and conditions. TW gave each director a copy.
- GCA monthly report circulated containing progress updates on turbine project.

TW advised that he had visited the enterprise zone site with Architect Leslie Burgher. Outline plans for the EZ to be drawn up for consideration of the SDT and a public consultation meeting to follow.

The mother and toddler group had supplied the CDO a list of their requirements. TW has asked them to supply further details including the name of their project co-ordinator in order to progress things further.

CDO is compiling the local information for the Islands Audit (HIE) and our island development plan.

The Fairer Scotland Fund: so far only 5 out of the 12 Trusts in Orkney have replied with their report on how the funding has been used.

TW announced that he had also received a letter from Mr A Cooke, owner of the Stronsay Hotel, asking if anything can be done about the very hard water. He and many others on Stronsay have to spend considerable amount of money on replacing water heaters, kettles, and washing machine parts due to lime scale being well above normal. TW felt that this might prove to be expensive for the whole island but a proposal worth including in our future plans and he will ask Mr Cooke if he would kindly supply info on equipment needed for this.

**CDO**

JC asked if she could explain the current question about the employment/contract for Joint Project Management of the turbine build. A proposal had been made to ask CES if we could fund a continuation of Mark Hull's role to include JPM, from our lottery funding, with consultancy being 'bought in' as required. Clearly this was an attractive idea, removing the need to put the work out to tender and with the confidence of the Community Power Orkney (CPO) in Mark's ability.

JC presented all the views and there was considerable discussion. The Board agreed that if we would have difficulty in justifying why we had not gone for fair and open competition for JPM then we should not support the idea. JC to report back to the CPO

**Action**

**Treasurer's report**

MA announced that he had received a letter from Clark Thomson of Orkney regarding the Indemnity insurance for Boards. They had quoted :-

STD Board £259.00  
SRE Board £479.00

The quote is valid till 23 May, the board unanimously voted to except the quotes and MA to follow up. **MA**

**AOB.**

SG said that she had been approached as to whether it was possible for the play park to have swings or a slide added, TW and SG to follow up.

**CDO/SG**

**Date of next Meeting.** 16<sup>th</sup> June at 19.30 at the Fish Mart

**Meeting Closed at 21.25**