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| Minute of AGM of Colintraive and Glendaruel Development Trust  Sunday 14th July 2013; 14.00; Glendaruel Hall | | | |
| **Present:** | Directors: C. Dixon-Spain; S. Dixon-Spain; S. Wilson; C. Boyd; J. McLuckie; J. Wilson  Members: fourteen | |  | |
| **In attendance:** | R. Sutherland; S. McLean; M. Chambers | |  | |
| **Apologies:** | A.McNaughton; M.Kaufmann; E Fairbairn; M & D Morton; K&N Lewis; M.Donald | |  | |
| **Previous minute:** | CDS invited comments on the minute of the 2012 AGM. In the absence of comment, the adoption of the minute was proposed by J. Sutton and seconded by J.McLuckie | |  | |
| **Accounts:** | CDS presented the accounts (in the absence of a treasurer), and invited comment. There were no comments; approval of the accounts were proposed by D. Steedman and seconded by A.Lamb. | |  | |
| **Matters arising:** | There were none. | |  | |
| **Resolutions:** | Boundary Change:  OSCR had now given approval for the proposed addition of postcodes PA23 8RG to the membership area. A Poland asked what the benefit of this was. CDS said that an electoral boundary change had been made without local consultation and as a result, an area which had traditionally been included in our community had been excluded from membership of the DT. The members voted on this resolution; it was supported unanimously. | |  | |
| **Chairman’s Report** | C. Dixon-Spain reported that the previous year had been very successful, the major achievement being the purchase of Stronafian Forest. He thanked Rhona Sutherland and Digby Guy for their excellent work in attaining this outcome. Mark Chambers had recently been appointed as the Forest Officer for the Stronafian project for two years and would be working to deliver the community’s aspirations for the community forest.  Sara Maclean had also made great progress with the Warmer Colglen community project, which had delivered benefit to the community through energy savings in homes and our village halls, thereby reducing our carbon footprint. It was hoped that further funding may be secured for resilience projects which would ameliorate the effects of climate change.  The Colintraive shop project continued to be pursued and the right to buy the Glendaruel Hotel was being maintained.  Catriona Phillips had been employed as an intern to work with J. McLuckie for ten weeks between June and August, to determine what would be required to make the Cowal Way one of Scotland’s Great Trails.  Good relationships with a range of funders had been maintained and there was a need for the CGDT to remain transparent and professional in engaging and consulting with the community in order to fully exploit future funding opportunities. | |  | |
| **Appointment of Directors** | There were no new nominations. S. Dixon-Spain, J. McLuckie and C. Boyd were due to stand down and J. Wilson had been co-opted since the last AGM; all four wished to be re-elected. This was proposed by S. Gaffney and seconded by E. Sutton. | |  | |
| **Appointment of Auditor** | CDS recommended that Ailsa Close was reappointed. This was proposed by J. Sutton and seconded by A. Barker. | |  | |
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| **AOCB** | E. Sutton and C. Grant from the walking group asked if the DT would develop the path at Bealachandrain. JMcL said that the previous week, the path and bridge had been visited with the access officer from the NP in order to determine what would be required to include it as part of the Cowal Way. E.Sutton said that the path and bridge definitely required upgrading for the benefit of the less spry. JMcL said although some funding had been secured for the Cowal Way, improvements to this particular part of the Cowal Way would be dependent on the survey of the entire path; there may be areas in greater need of improvement. Mrs J McLuckie identified two separate issues; the requirements of the walking group and those of the Cowal Way. S.Gaffney said that should it be decided to upgrade the path and bridge, then it should be done to allow use by walkers of all abilities. | |  | |
|  | CDS thanked everyone for attending the meeting, which ended at 15.00. | |  | |
| **ADOPTION:** | **Proposed:** | **Signature:** |  | |
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|  | **Signature of Chairman:**   Charles Dixon-Spain | |  | |
|  | **DATE:  20.07.14** | |  | |