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| Minute of Meeting of Colintraive and Glendaruel Development Trust Board  Sunday 15th November 2014; 14.30; Colintraive Hall. | | | |
| **Present:** | Charles Dixon-Spain (CDS); Sandra Wilson (SW); Colin Boyd (CB); Alex McNaughton (AMcN) ; Jim McLuckie (JMcL) Michael Kaufmann (MK) |  |
| **In attendance:** | Bill Carlow (BC); Sara McLean (SMcL);Eamon King (EK) |  |
| **Apologies:** | John Shiveral (JS) |  |
| **Renewable Energy Projects:** | * BC and EK updated the board on progress with the proposed Stronafian wind turbines, drawing attention to the associated risks and obstacles to delivery and viability (planning consent; tenant payment; creation of subsidiary company; costs of yet to be engaged legal and accountancy expertise; the absolute necessity of two turbines; access issues). The engagement of an appropriately experienced legal representative was identified as an urgent priority in order to address both the access and subsidiary company issues. * The FCS National Forest Land Scheme Renewables Project proposed for Glendaruel Forest at Duiletter required a community ballot. MS was organising the ballot and associated information for community members (to include a map and an indication of proposed spending from income generated by the project).   BC departed at 15.25. | EK/  CDS |
| **Previous minutes:** | Minute of the October 14th meeting approved (proposed by CB; seconded by AMcN) |  |
| **Finance** | A financial report had been circulated prior to the meeting by MS. Electronic payments were authorised by CDS and CB.  The accounts had now been signed and were available for submission to OSCR. | SW |
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| **Administration:** | MS had circulated a report prior to the meeting.   * The board considered that the community broadband project should continue to be pursued, despite the BT improvements (which were understood to be of benefit to a limited number of community members). * An update of the Colintraive slipway improvements was provided. CMAL would be extending the car marshalling area and would cost and prepare plans for the installation of a pontoon. CGDT would have to acquire funding for the purchase of the pontoon, its installation and upkeep. |  |
| **CCF:** | SMcL circulated a report prior to the meeting and the following was discussed:   * Use of the community pay back squad for manual work at the polytunnels was supported by the board. * Review of the budget was approved to reflect NI issue. * Approval of participation in an EU funding application to the Northern Periphery Fund was approved. * Objectives and wish-lists for Are We Ready to be reviewed/updated and CC to be informed. * SMcL to write a letter to residents in Duiletter to inform them of biomass heating study. | SMcL  SMcL |
| **Stronafian Forest:** | EK circulated a report prior to the meeting; the following was discussed:   * The possibility of funding from the SLF for regaining the pre-determined areas. * Progress with cooperation between DT and tenant. |  |
| **AOB** | * MS had forwarded a communication from DTS regarding fuel poverty. MK suggested that community bulk energy purchase should be considered. SMcL to consider this as an item for the next newsletter. * EK drew the board's attention to the forthcoming end of the CCF project and encouraged her continued employment as a valuable asset to community projects. * AMcN wished the board to consider alternative purposes for the former Colintraive shop. This would be added to the agenda for the next meeting.   SMcL and EK departed.   * The board discussed improvements to the efficiency and management of DT meetings. |  |
| **Future Meetings:** | Sunday 7th December 2014 at 14.30 in Colintraive Hall  Thursday 22nd January 2015 at 16.00 in Colintraive Hall  Thursday 12th February 2015 at 16.00 in Colintraive Hall |  |
| **ADOPTION:** | **Proposed:** |  |
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|  | **SIGNED:** |  |
|  | **Chairman:** |  |
|  | **DATE:     7th December 2014** |  |