

Agenda items	Minutes of Meeting 7.30 pm 24 July 2024 via Zoom	Actions
Welcome	SM welcomed everyone to this unscheduled meeting.	
Apologies		
Present	Sara Maclean, Peter Macalister Hall, Kirsty McLuckie, Chris Leigh, John McNaughton, Fiona Hamilton	
Declaration of Interests		
Minutes of Previous Meeting	Proposed: SM Seconded: CL	
Matters Arising	CLLD decision will be known by end of this week. SM met with Community Council and ABCAN team	SM invite CDS to next meeting
Governance	Directors: There's a possibility that another member of the community might be interested in coming on to the Trust.	JM to approach the person.
	Staff salaries: It was agreed that in future funding applications would include increased staff costs @£20ph. The board wishes the staff to know how valued they are.	SM to inform CC and AL of salary decision
Admin and Finance Reports	No reports submitted for this unscheduled meeting.	

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Projects	Connect Glendaruel: SSEN funding is opening up. It was agreed that we would make an application. Food project & gardener recruitment: A job spec needs to be drawn up to include community liaison. The aim to employ someone until funding runs out agreed to offer some work to Charlie in the first instance and seek whatever commitment Douglas is willing to offer - to prepare the polytunnel for winter. Then invite submissions for business plans to lease the site to someone to run a business from next year. PMH also offered to look into what is required to improve the water supply, for which ABCAN SEED funding will be sought	SM send link to SEED funding and ask AL to submit. PMH will discuss water requirements with CC FH to ask DW how many more hours he'll be willing to do. CL to liaise with CC.
	Stronafian Forest: LTFP - still in scoping phase. CL has been emailing Kendric Main from Silviculture who will be in touch when scoping has been completed. CL will be in touch with CC about moving the Shrooms. Cowal Way: New guides are published and 30 books @ £15 are available for collection. Warmer ColGlen 2: No report available.	KM to put PMH in touch with Jacquetta for collection.
Correspondence	A&BC Community Development Officer, Amie Dow, wants to set up a network of community owned forests. She will be invited to next board meeting. Ian Dow: The ABCAN team have suggested adopting LLCW (Cowal Way) as a long distance route connecting rainforest communities. All agreed this would be a positive step forward and could encourage other communities along the route to engage.	SM to invite AD to next meeting SM to respond agreeing in principle.
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DONM	28th August 2024 via zoom	Invitees: Charles Dixon-Spain Amie Dow