TGDT Board Meeting

Date: 18th May 2022

Video Conference (5.30 – 7.30pm)

Minutes

Present: Tilly Smith (TS, TGDT Director & Chair), David Toovey (DT, TGDT Director & Treasurer), Sam Robinson (SR, TGDT Director), Alastair Sharp (AS, TGDT Director), Laurence Prime (LP, TGDT Director).

Apologies: Phil Rogers (PR, TGDT Director), Fiona Robb (HIE).

In attendance: Oli Giles (OG, TGDT), Rebecca Irons (RI, TGDT), Fiona McInally (FM, CNPA).

The hybrid meeting was held with the option to join both in-person and online.

Actions carried over from previous meeting (updates in *italics*)

Minutes		
Conflict of interest and governance	None	
Minutes of previous meeting	TGDT Board minutes from 6th April were approved Proposed by Sam Robinson Seconded by Alastair Sharp	
Matters arising from previous actions	Strutt & Parker have confirmed that the lease on the Crown unit is temporary and they will look to re-let it on a commercial basis once the Trust's lease finishes.	
Development Plan Projects	**Affordable Housing** SSE quote must be first paid and then reclaimed through their charitable trust. The connection will potentially delay the project beyond the July completion date, pressure continues to be applied to keep to timescales. Prices for sales houses were discussed and agreed, with scope to change if successful in obtaining the full SSE grant. Three beds will be marketed at £140k and 3 bed live/work units at £170k. CHT can now	

	begin marketing. OG has a site meeting next week and contactor and QS will be providing a full progress report. **Campsite** OG queried the Conglass site with Strutt & Parker. There was previous interest in the site approximately 8 years ago. TS will make enquiries with local contact regarding possible previous designs . The availability of the industrial units would be an issue for the site. The SLF 1 works are complete for the lying-in field site. An initial application has been made to the Scottish Government Regeneration Capital Grants Scheme via Moray Council. The application goes to committee in mid-June and it may be possible to transfer to another site if necessary. **Glenlivet Projects** **i. Glenlivet Halls** **Braes Hall** – The consultation survey closes next Monday. There have been 74 online and 10 paper responses to date. A community consultation event led by Arc & Community Enterprise is planned for 14 June, timings tbc. **Glenlivet Hall** – Hugh Munro has stood down as hall chair and Andy Wallace replaced by Megan McHardy as secretary. The option of hall closure or re-invigoration/refurbishment was discussed by the committee and trustees at a recent meeting. A sub-group has been set up, including RI, committee members Megan McHardy, and Derek Rickett, to review relevant feedback from Croft Inn and community priorities surveys to inform the development of a community survey regarding future use of the Hall. **ii. Tea IN THE PARK** TITP will run from Sunday 14th to Sunday 21st August. The hall has been booked from Friday 12th to Tuesday 23rd August to allow for set-up and pack away. John Shewan has volunteered to be kitchen supervisor for the week. Minetta Leslie is helping to organise the craft stalls. There have been significant price rises e.g. electricity at the hall, advertising in Spotlight magazine. THISTLEdown will help with updating, printing and laminating the menus. **Dark Skies** **Star party** The Dorenell panel is due to meet on the 24th to consider out application for funding for Star Party activities based at Glenlivet Hall. The application to the Year of Stories fund for 2 storywalks based on stories of the Scottish night sky was successful. Astronomer Royal and proposed headline speaker Catherine Heymans has long covid and is uncertain she will be able to attend. She has– suggested Rita Trojero at St Andrews university as an alternative speaker. **Mini observatory** Tom at Arc has advised they have drawn up the current site and started developing options, based on the Observatory position	**TS to enquire re: previous designs for Conglass site** **RI to contact Rita Trojero as possible headline speaker**

	discussed on site, but are holding off developing the Hall design and observatory further until the results of CE's consultations are in and the hall strategy is clear. **Heritage Ranger post** Lydia is settling in to the role and is putting together a tiered list of the heritage sites in the area. She will develop a 16 week programme of activities up to the end of September. A decision will need to be made around charging for tours. Lydia can then take the programme to local businesses. OG will purchase mobile, PPE, walking boots and jacket for Lydia in her role. **Development Plan Review** Agreed to discuss at next meeting.	
COVID – 19 update	**Hostel & Discovery Centre** OG presented the monthly reports for Hostel and Discovery Centre. The latter had 411 visitors and of those 108 went through to the exhibition generating income. Agreed to increasing the group booking cost, which is currently £350/ night for 22 people to £400 in November.	
Finance report	OG presented the Hostel and Trust finance reports, and the board reviewed the statements that were circulated in advance of the meeting. Invoice from Alpha approved. Draft accounts have been prepared and will be presented at the September board meeting for approval, to then go to the auditors.	
AOB	Big Jubilee Community Picnic at Glenlivet Hall, Sunday 5th June, 1 to 4 pm.	
DONM	Tomintoul & Glenlivet Discovery Centre or option to join meeting via Zoom Topic: TGDT Board Time: Jun 15, 2022 05:30 PM London Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84189539534?pwd=RlNwUzJpVzFXVHJpSUVMK3NmNHBRUT09 Meeting ID: 841 8953 9534 Passcode: 906191 One tap mobile +16465588656,,84189539534#,,,,*906191# US (New York) +16699009128,,84189539534#,,,,*906191# US (San Jose) Dial by your location +1 646 558 8656 US (New York) +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose) +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma)	

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