

**Minutes from Fraserburgh Development Trust Board Meeting to be held
at the Hub, on Wednesday, April 18, 2012, at 5.30pm**

1. Present - Duncan Abernethy, Reid Hutchison, Ricky Sheaffe-Greene, Robin Mackinlay, Mike Pitman, Ian Watson, Hamish Partridge. In attendance - Mark Jackson.

2. Apologies - Ann Bell and Alan Kennedy.

2. Approval of Minutes of Wednesday, March 21, 2012

The Minutes were proposed by Ricky Sheaffe-Greene and seconded by Duncan Abernethy and agreed.

3. Matters arising from Minutes

Agreed that items would be dealt with under main agenda items.

4. Renewables

Project 1 - XXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**)

After detailed discussion, it was agreed to accept the formal grid connection quotation from SSE and thereby secure the slot on the grid. The Trust would pay the initial payment of £25,180 and then draw down the funds from CARES.

Project 2 - XXXXXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**)

It was agreed to discuss this project with XXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**) X. They are interested in forming a partnership arrangement, initially on renewable projects with the possibility of diversifying at a later date.

They have already entered into an agreement with XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXX XXXXXXXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**) . Partnership could prove an important element in future plans. The Trust is meeting with XXXXXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**) next week for further discussions.

It is also hoped to arrange a meeting with the landlord to progress this project.

Project 3 XXXXXXXX. (**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**)

This project will also be discussed with XXXXXXXX(**REDACTED -financial and contractual information**) . The Landowner has indicated that he is keen to move forward on this and receive rental for the two turbines.

5. Finance

The Treasurer gave an update on the Trust's current financial position and explained that projected figures had been produced for the Business Plan to be submitted to Aberdeenshire Council.

6. SFS Project

Following a meeting with Social Firm Scotland a three month action plan was agreed.

The Board were advised that:

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7. Seashore Centre

The Trust has been advised that Aberdeenshire Council have decided to offer the lease of the Seashore Centre to Synergy Kite Sports. The Board welcomed the outcome, but expressed concern over the manner in which this has come about, bearing in mind that the Trust had an agreement in place with Aberdeenshire Council to lease the Seashore Centre.

8. Town Centre

The Trust is still awaiting further information from Gordon Bell of the Retailer Ltd and is trying to arrange a date when officials from Scottish Government can come up and see progress on Town Centre Regeneration Funded Building (The Hub) and discuss future plans.

9. AEFF funding

Aberdeenshire Council have launched the Aberdeenshire European Fisheries Fund. There is a very short window for applications. Therefore, the Board has agreed form a working group to develop projects for this potential funding stream.

10. Caravan Park

The Trust has been advised by the Area Manager that a decision on this will be made before the end of May, 2012. In the meantime, it is understood that some other community groups are already operating the caravan parks with an informal agreement with Aberdeenshire Council.

11. Farmers Market

The Trust, along with a representative of the Fraserburgh Forward Group held a preliminary meeting with an Official from Aberdeenshire Council to get advice and background information on setting up a Framers Market in Fraserburgh.

The Trust also put out a call for volunteers to help with this project and the Community Garden Project. A further meeting of the working group, comprising three members of the Trust and three from Fraserburgh Forward is due to take place before the end of the month.

12. Other reports

a. Community Garden

A working group has been established and a site highlighted by Aberdeenshire Council. A doorstep survey of local residents, found that the vast majority were in favour, although some had concerns to be addressed regarding future security. Only one resident was opposed.

At a public meeting attended by 22 people this week, it was agreed by a vote of 14 to one to continue to investigate and move this project forward. It was stressed that security issues had to be thoroughly examined.

b. Sports Hub

The Board were advised that the Trust is in the process of trying to arrange the first set of courses, including First Aid and Working with Under 16s, at the Hub for members of the Sports Hub. At present, 12 local sports groups have attended meetings to date.

In addition, a public meeting to formally constitute the group is scheduled to take place in May. The newly formed group then has until the end of June to submit a proposal to secure funding for the coming year.

13. Date of next Board Meeting

The date of the next Board Meeting has been set for Wednesday May 16.

A meeting of the Town Centre sub group was set for Monday, April 23, in the Hub at 5pm.

A meeting of the new AEFf working group was set for Monday, May 7, in the Hub at 2pm.

A sub group meeting on the SFS Project will be arranged by the Manager.