

Meigle and Ardler Community Development Trust Board meeting minutes		
Date:	28 th July 2022	
Time:	7pm	
Location:	Kinloch Memorial Hall, Meigle	
Present:	Kevin Stirling (KS), Steve Ebbitt (SE), Bob Ellis (BE), Kate Elvins (KE), Hannah Woods (HW), Jorgie Hill (JH), Rae Taylor (RT) Chair, Meigle and Ardler Community Council.	
Apologies:	Kate Methley (KM), Martin Elvins (ME), Clair Smith (CS), Derek MacKenzie (DMcK), Ali Napier (AN), Johnny Channon (JC), Andy Boyak (AB) Wanda McGregor (WMcG)	
Declaration of interest:	None declared	
Agenda items		Actions
3&4	Minutes of the meeting, held on 28th July 2022, were agreed to be an accurate representation of this meeting. Minutes were proposed by SE and seconded by BE.	
5	<p>Updates from relevant local groups and organisations</p> <p><u>Meigle and Ardler Community Council (MACC)</u> RT felt that it is better that the MACDT update that is shared as part of MACC meetings be submitted as an appendix to the CC minute in order that this is documented separately and accurately. KS agreed that this was more helpful. Regarding Forfar Road Development, there has been no specific information provided for the plan moving forward due to the unpredictability of the nature of the project. The CC have suggested a public meeting following the formal planning submission in order to address any questions or concerns that will then be recorded and sent to PKC. MACC has been able to share their minutes via Facebook as well as Smart Village for public interest. Regarding the fitting of benches in the local area, this requires planning permission but will cost £145 per bench to prevent theft. CC are taking this up with PKC.</p> <p>Keilor's will be conducting maintenance of bowling green on 4th Aug in preparation for Gala day on 6th Aug.</p> <p><u>Cateran EcoMuseum – BE</u></p>	

	<p>No new updates</p> <p><u>Strathmore Development Trust Round Table</u> BE confirmed a zoom meeting is scheduled for 1st Sept.</p>	
6	<p><u>Communication strategy</u> The Comms team have developed a new layout for Smart Village. HW will aim to have a mock-up of the new layout of front page ready for next meeting in Aug 2022. All trustees have agreed to minimize and relocate Growbiz logo on the front page.</p>	HW
7	<p><u>Financial update</u></p> <p>KM has agreed to take on the role of MACDT treasurer which will be of great benefit to the trust due to her knowledge and expertise. In the wake of this new development, it has been agreed that macdt.treasurer@gmail.com will be the new email address for all finance related matters, KS has confirmed there will be nothing lost in the transference of the email address.</p> <p>KS has confirmed that the MACDT audit trail has been completed and there is no outstanding tax for the last year. Companies house documentation is to be in place by 18th August,</p> <p>KM will review the financial processes of MACDT as she moves into the role of treasurer.</p> <p>During KS and KM meeting, it was discovered that the Community Investment Fund Payment for the Heritage path and maintenance of Belmont has not yet been deposited in to MACDT's account. KS has taken steps to rectify this situation with follow up documentation and is awaiting further correspondence and conformation regarding the funds.</p> <p>First payments for Keilor's maintenance at the Bowling green and Hospital corner has been attempted. The total cost was £270</p> <p>MACDT current balance is £25,617.38</p> <p><u>Funding</u> SE and BE suggest application of funding from Paths For All.</p> <p>No new updates.</p>	<p>KS, KM</p> <p>SE, BE</p>

8	<p>Updates on core projects</p> <p><u>Meigle Bowling Club – KS</u> There has been no progress with the legal process relating to the Bowling Club.</p> <p>Correspondence via McNab's and KS has brought to light that the current owners of the bowling green would like a written statement that MACDT would not go on to sell the land. McNab's has stated this is a difficult legal enforcement, therefore have provided MACDT's article of association to represent the character of the trust.</p> <p>KS is now is awaiting further communication.</p> <p>McNab's have informed KS that they are now increasing their fees, therefore the trust are eager to complete this legal matter and obtain ownership of the land to prevent further costs.</p> <p><u>Community Shed</u> AN and JC have given apologies for this meeting.</p> <p>New CEO officially starting on Monday 1st August 2022.</p> <p><u>Resilience Planning – DMcK</u> DMcK had given his apologies for this meeting. The following update was emailed to KS:</p> <p>DMcK has confirmed pumps and connectors are now officially stored at Belmont and has also been visiting locals in the area who could potentially be most affected by future bad weather. Measurements have been taken for flood barriers for homes and businesses.</p> <p>Looking to establish a plan for who may need support and how we can put plans in place for future.</p> <p><u>Art, Music & Literature</u></p> <p>Fantastic response from extraordinary meeting held on 26th July 2022. Establishing steps for the development of the path are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Get the path mapped out - Get the path tidied - Make the public aware - Get the installations 	<p>KS</p> <p>KS, AN, JC</p> <p>DMcK</p> <p>WMcG</p>
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	<p>BE identified areas in which require tidying up to get the path ready. Next steps are to look at businesses who are keen to help community developments and identifying someone with the expertise of creating apps for the path. WMcG has considered diverse needs of all potential visitors therefore considering resolutions. WMcG has also suggested the presence of a noted poet for the launch of the path in order to maximise the profile of the project and our community.</p> <p><i>Notes taken at the meeting will be sent round to all trustees.</i></p> <p><u>Environment and green spaces – BE</u></p> <p><i>Path networks</i> BE has been visiting locals in the area regarding signposting on their land for the paths. BE is yet to find one other landowner to discuss this with. It was highlighted to all landowners that it is imperative for the paths to be accessible to all. BE will contact Angus Council in order to help with creating accessible paths for visitors with various mobility needs.</p> <p><i>Belmont Woods</i> No further updates</p> <p><i>Ardler Hall</i> No new updates.</p>	<p>WMcG, BE</p> <p>BE</p>
9	<p>Any other business</p> <p><u>Gala Day</u> MACDT will have a stand at the Gala Day. It is the aim to attract locals and inform them about the current projects and ideas that are underway with the trust. We are eager to obtain the thoughts and opinions of the locals regarding the green spaces and what they could potentially be used for. KE suggested that setting up interactive activities would be an ideal way to engage with attendees. KS will provide forms to obtain contact information and encourage attendees to connect with the trust. DMcK will be in attendance with some resilience equipment to provide insight as to its function and availability during bad weather. Information and ideas regarding the community shed will also be shared.</p> <p>KM will be taking over the role of MACDT Treasurer.</p> <p>KS will be having discussion with AB regarding his interest in secretarial roles in order to develop a team. This will then allow secretarial responsibilities to be shared and allow JH leeway to</p>	

	look at planning and development of upcoming events within the community. Set up new recovery email address instead of using personal emails to prevent inability to access. JH will look at what is forwarded to secretary from info email address.	
10	Next meeting to be held on 25 th July 2022, 7pm, provisionally in Belmont Centre.	
Signed:	Jorgie Hill	Date: 18th August 2022