

Minutes: TBI Online Admin Meeting: Tues 6 December 2022

Minute Taker: Julie

Present: Julian Parn (chair), Peter Moffatt, Anne Thomas, Martin Sherring, Alaine Macdonald, Julie Gibson

Apologies: Rose Grant

Item	Discussion	Action
Minutes from Previous meeting	Approved	
Matters arising:	<p>* AGM reflection - Q how to 'sell' AGM in future and attract more/ younger members ? Suggestion - include a 'place of destination' visit/ summer day - with v short AGM business element ?</p> <p>* MS to ensure accounts ready for summer AGM.</p> <p>* Revisit topic in March meeting. JP to put on Agenda.</p> <p>FLS Black Isle Land Management Plan consultation- JP attended. Chief item of concern for those present (10 incl 3 from Killearnan CC, 6 representing FLS) was about FLS having removed Monadh Mhor from their list as a visitor destination, with accompanying removal of all signage, bench etc. Reason - to save money, FLS unable to maintain paths.</p> <p>JP managed to comment on issues around access to woodland while forestry work going on, and issues of clear felling.</p> <p>JP to check if MMhor part of core path network - if so, FLS have obligation to maintain.</p> <p>Letter of support for John o'Groats Trail - done by JP</p> <p>Active Travel map being printed next week. PM can still shift some of old stock, JG can give remains of her stock to Ryefield and Tourist Office.</p> <p>Possibly getting low in Growing Guide stock - JG will do tally of who's got what number wise.</p> <p>Markets - insurance 'issues' sorted, all calmed down at both markets. Lauren settled in. Case for managers' payments to go up. Also leaflet for next year needs to be produced.</p> <p>MS and AT to take forward.</p> <p>Local Place Plan - JP to put something in next newsletter to encourage involvement. (Chatterbox also ??) Plan forms a basis for what happens next on the BI. PM has put something on the PP on the website.</p>	<p>MS JP</p> <p>JP</p> <p>PM/ JG</p> <p>JG</p> <p>MS/AT</p> <p>JP</p>
Items for Decision:		
Who does what in TBI ?	Ranging conversation. Might be worth considering the Transition Together course signposted to by Rose after the AGM. MS has sent out the link to the TT suggested options. All to have a look. Markets group to get together as above (in Matters Arising). MS to initiate.	All MS
Website upgrade - next moves	Upgrade aim was for website to be responsive to different devices. But emerging difference of views/ approaches on how to get there, leading to the length of time the upgrade has taken thus far. However now in more optimistic position. See JP's paper for suggested way forward, which will give PM some support - something missing previously. Creation of website subcommittee comprising PM, JP, RG and Adam.	JP/PM/RG
Highland Community Waste Partnership	Adverts out for temp 'fill in'/ support for Lyn's position. Deadline a week Thurs, and interviews following Monday, 19 Dec. MS consulted KSB about process TBI is following - no real policy/ advice to offer and seem happy for the Project to proceed as it is doing in terms of staffing. All to pass on vacancy details within own general networks. Huge thanks to RG for filling in as she has been doing.	All

Items for Discussion/Information:		
Just Transition students	JP/AT/MS met the 9 students on the JT course. JP gave overview of TBI, shortened version of AGM presentation. Letter of thanks received.	
HCWP next repair café	Next café in Fortrose. North Kessock's in Feb. JG visited Culbokkie one as 'client'...great service, friendly, and quite busy !	
Membership	New member - Becky Richmond..Alaine checking, hasn't as far as she currently knows received the application. (JG checked membership list, Becky on it 28/11/22) Approved. Possible other new member Matt Hall, based in Cromarty.	AM
Food & Growing	See Minutes of last meeting, as update report. Since then, focussed Potato Day planning meeting has taken place and all in hand for the 4 March at NK Hall. JG has also met Mairi and Seamus Macpherson of Fearn Free Food and Highland Seedlings...doing marvellous work at local community level. Not sure how we could collaborate as such a difference in contexts, however we are in touch now so gives possible future developments and one initiative they've introduced could be translateable to Grow North in the future. MS offering to host/lead a preserving workshop late summer/ early autumn. Allanrange as a TBI day out suggested...venue for AGM ?	
Treasurer's Report	Gareth now working on bringing the accounts from 1 April to now up to date (having been focussing first on previous year's accounts for AGM) - lot to do. But v positive development now is the bank accounts are connected into the Quickbooks system which simplifies some of the process.	
Newsletter Editor	Would be helpful to have someone to at least proof read the letter before it going out. Possibly RG would be able to do this ? AT to follow up.	AT
Avoch to Munlochry route	NK underpass - underpass work finished, working well; but chicanes at end of path to housing estate not entirely suitable for bikes or buggies, need deeper space. AT following up. Avoch/ Munlochry cycle route - no meeting recently, last meeting was cancelled. Council process with landowners has stagnated.	AT
Twitter/ Instagram	We don't make use of most up to date communication methods like twitter and instagram. Lyn agreed could be useful to reach younger age range but takes time so would need to work out how to effectively do so (eg pay someone)	
Website text about TBI	Texts about who/what TBI is appear in a couple of places on the website, can everyone look at these and make any suggestions for changes to PM. All agreed that the 'front page' descriptor is good as it is. Look at the 'read more' below that, and then the find out more about TBI, the link for this below the 'read more' paragraphs.	All
AOCB	Appeal from Men's Shed to sign petition about national funding cuts for their sterling work.	All
Dates of Next Meetings	Tues 17 January 7.30 Tues 28 February 7.30	