

## Minutes of TBI Admin meeting held on Wednesday 28th February 2024 online by Zoom

**Present** Rose Grant (RG, **Convenor**), Julie Gibson (JG), Julian Paren (JP), Peter Moffatt (PM), Anne Thomas (AT) Laura Donnelly (LD)

Minute taker : AT

### 1. **Apologies** Alaine Macdonald (AM), Martin Sherring

Item	Discussion	Action
<b>2. Minutes of meeting 9-1-24</b>	Accepted	

### ITEMS FOR DECISION

<b>1) Black Isle Bicycles</b>	Discussion over recent developments and contact with Ewan Henderson about bike maintenance and Lochaber Environmental Group about the example of their bike library	
<b>2) Picture rights</b>	Julian is reluctant to pay. Seems to be a spurious opportunist as the picture cited is not the same one as the one used. Group backed up decision to not pay.	<b>Julian</b>
<b>3) Heat in buildings Consultation</b>	Heat in Buildings Consultation Paper from Martin Respond to consultation - Respond as individuals Item in newsletter Facebook and Instagram Peter has updated already	<b>Martin</b>  <b>Anne</b> <b>Laura</b> <b>Add link to</b>
<b>4) Film nights</b>	Riverwoods, v good. Good discussion afterwards Climate Action 3 or 4 new faces. Try to enthuse people to volunteer. Nettle Dress - over 100. Just Eat it next film- launch Food Waste challenge	<b>PM, LD, AT</b> <b>LD</b>
<b>5) Climate Cafe</b>	Home and Community Energy event. Well attended. 25 people. Case studies useful. Can seem complicated for people and not easy to be sure who to trust. Energy event e.g open homes could help.	Laura to pick up at future Climate Cafes Energy Group could re-start
<b>6) Website</b>	Peter disappointed with lack of progress.	PM RG
<b>7) Forres Friends</b>	Forres Friends- publicise. Peter, Marion and Trish did visit last Autumn	PM to keep in touch

<b>8) Food and Growing</b>	Some potatoes have already arrived Everything in hand 27 volunteers Penny and Marcia now in charge of food Duncan, Jimmy and Dave Grier in charge of tatties. 700 people last year	<b>JG</b>
<b>9) Avoch to Munloch Multipurpose path</b>  <b>Letter to Councillors</b>	Slow progress by THC  AT had sent the letter to Highland Councillors. Only Sarah Atkin responded positively. AT spoke to Sarah Atkin at the Oportunity Black Isle meeting.	<b>AT, JP</b>

#### MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE

<b>10. Steps to get new Directors for TBI</b>	Ask Ewan Henderson if he's interested	
<b>11) Highland Renewable Energy Company</b>	For information. Further progress on a Highland Renewable Energy Company, though less likely that Council will be involved. More likely to be a Community venture in partnership with private companies. Anne Thomas continues to be involved.	AT
<b>12) HCWP</b>	Recruiting and funding for paid repair cafe organiser. Petty cash needs sorting	
<b>13) Avoch to Munloch Active Travel Link</b>	Cycle path. Gradient of land means more land is needed. Engineers seem to be starting from scratch as don't think design was detailed enough for what is needed. No sense of urgency despite deadline for money to be spent. Uncertain whether Sustrans funding will continue.	
<b>14) Treasurer Report</b>	About £16,000 in account and bills up to date. Handover complete	JP
	<b>ITEMS FOR INFORMATION/UPDATE</b>	

<b>15) Highland Community Energy Partnership</b>	Good progress being made with funding application	<b>MS</b>
16) HCWP	Laura Mon-Thurs + flexi Lyn contracted 3 days a week flexibly Staff costs line OK underspend on other things.	

<b>17) Market News</b>	AT reported that problems at NK had been sorted and Sylvie continues in post and the market dates have now been booked till end of 2026	
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<b>18) Newsletter Editor's Report</b>	AT was thanked for her continued role. Mailchimp working much better now broadband connection better	AT
<b>19) Membership report</b>	Jackie Little. Approved New welcome letter being worked on. Print some more membership forms for Potato Day Send to Alane.	<b>AM R</b>  <b>AT</b>
<b>20) AOCB</b>	Possible Munlochy Allotments discussed. Support if needed but not much time.	<b>AT</b>

## **AOCB**

**Next meetings      Wednesday 17th April**

**29th May**