

Board of Directors

Minutes

of meeting held in Kilmorack Hall at 7.30pm on Thursday 1st September 2011

Present		Apologies	In Attendance
Graeme Scott	Andrew Leaver		Warwick Lister-Kaye
Peter Masheter	John Graham		Jon Hollingdale
Calum Fraser	Mark Hedderwick		
Alisdair Stewart			

Item		Action
	Graeme Scott welcomed Jon Hollingdale to the meeting. Jon has been working on revisions to the business plan.	
1	Minutes of meeting of 9 th May 2011	
	The minutes were proposed by John Graham and seconded by Calum Fraser.	
2	Matters arising from the minutes	
	 25/3 – Andrew reported that LEADER have approved an extension of the grant to 30 November 2011. No further extension will be available. 	
	 25/4 – Peter arranged a meeting with Brendan Clouston which was also attended by John Lister-Kaye, Graeme and Andrew. This meeting was useful in updating Mr Clouston on our activities and ensuring he was still supportive of our general aims. 	
	 25/6 – As noted in the minutes of the AGM, all directors stayed on the Board except Gavin Cormack who no longer works at Teanassie Primary School. 	
3	Business Planning	
	 Jon Hollingdale gave a presentation on an alternative management plan to that currently within the FCS Forest Design Plan and largely adopted in the Bell Ingram Business Plan. 	
	 This proposal included a mixture of commercial timber growing and native regeneration across different sections of the Forest. It also suggested a common approach to deer management by ACF and neighbouring land owners. 	
	 Jon's proposal was enthusiastically received by all present, however it was noted that the immediate priority is to secure a financially viable lease from FCS. 	
	 Jon suggested that we apply to the FCS Community Seedcorn Fund for a grant to allow an indicative lease valuation to be provided by the district valuer. This will be useful in completing revisions to the Business Plan. It 	



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	was agreed this would be worthwhile. Andrew to complete and submit an application.	Andrew Leaver
	 It was noted that Amanda Bryan would now be working with Graeme, Steve Westbrook and Jon Hollingdale to help pull together the revised Business Plan. 	Graeme Scott
4	Fundraising and PR	
	 There have been no actions in relation to Fundraising and PR since the last meeting. 	
5	5 AOCB	
	 It was agreed to continue meeting at roughly eight week intervals. Andrew to circulate a list of dates through to the AGM in June 2012. 	Andrew Leaver

Summary of Outstanding Actions			
Ref	Ref Action		
20/5	Contact Lord Lovat to invite him to be a Forest Champion and figurehead for the 'Adopt a Forest' campaign.	Andrew Leaver	
20/6	Contact Plexus to identify costs for enhancement to website to include video / graphic for 'Adopt a Forest' campaign.	Andrew Leaver	
21/5	Progress planning for on-line auction.	Andrew Leaver	
25/1	Change the ACF registered address to that of Graeme Scott's office and notify Macleod and MacCallum that their services are no longer required.		
26/1	Submit application to FCS Community Seedcorn Fund to support an indicative lease valuation by the district valuer.	Andrew Leaver	
26/2	Work with appointed consultants Steve Westbrook and Jon Hollingdale and with Amanda Bryan to complete revisions to the Business Plan by end October.		
26/3	Compile and circulate a list of dates for meetings through to the AGM in June 2012.		

Chair		Date	
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