



**West Fife Woodlands**



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## **Note of Meeting**

**Held at Blairhall Community Centre Thursday 3rd October 2019**

### **Attendance:**

Stan Welch(SW),Alastair Hendry(AH),Ronnie Collins (RC),  
AlanMcGuckin(AM),.FrankWaterworth(FW),AndyTrumper(AT),Hilda  
Carmichael(HC).Peter McMullan(PM).

### **1. Chair's Welcome**

Chair:Stan Welcomed all to the meeting.

### **2. Apologies**

Liz McMullan,Maggie Dalgleish,Linda Milne David Welch.

### **3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting 5/009/19**

Proposed by HC,seconded by AM.

### **4. Matters Arising**

6: SW reported that he had not managed to contact the MSP and it was agreed that she should be invited to attend our AGM.

AT reported that he had submitted all of the necessary paperwork to Fife Council regarding the renewal of our five year agreement with Fife Council and this was now being processed.

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**A Registered Charity No: SC048093**

A community group dedicated to the  
Preservation, enhancement and accessibility of West Fife's woodland areas

## **5. Treasurer's Report**

(i) FW gave an oral report outlining our current bank balance , pending outgoing and highlighting items over £200. These were:

-bridge repairs,£400.

-training,£1590

-presentation boards,£232.

(ii) AT reported that Fife Council could only give us £800 rather than £900 for the fence removal work,due to budgetary constraints.

## **6 Correspondence**

(i)AT reported on the availability of grants through the Volunteering Matters programme. The timescale for completing any projects approved is January and after some discussion,FW agreed to submit an application for the costs of wildflower seeds.

(ii) It was noted that there is an open day at the new wedding venue, The Den on Sunday 6th October between 11:00 and 3:00.

(iii) FW reported that IFLI has funding available and FW agreed to speak to Kate Fuller to see if we can obtain funds for a new trailer and the training costs for the weedkiller use course.

## **7 Projects and funding**

(i) AH reported that he had identified a trailer that would meet our needs, with some modifications, at a cost of around £800. He agreed to pursue this and report back.

(ii) RC reported that the current bridge repair work has started and further work will be carried out on Saturday.

(iii) SW reported that they have done all we can with the Saline/Comrie at this stage and are waiting for information from Donald Murdoch on land ownership.

## **8. Membership**

AM reported that there were no new membership applications received during the month. Two potential new members were discussed and AM agreed to approach them.

## **9 Training**

AT reported that he is waiting on possible dates for the planned weedkiller training.

## **10 AGM 2019 Planning**

- (i) AT gave an update on the arrangements, which were in hand, and clarified the proceedings which would take place.
- (ii) Proxy forms were circulated and AT asked members to complete one and return it to him or SW, if they were unable to attend the meeting.

## **12 Path network signage sub -committee update.**

FW reported that he had met with Sue Walker who was happy for us to proceed with the signage and leaflets. The Sub Committee would meet again to consider these two items. He circulated sample signage discs and the Committee indicated a preference for the aluminium discs, subject to costs.

## **13. Woodland workouts.**

7th and 14th October: Path tidying and cutting back at the East Bing.  
21st October: Finish clearing work on the new path and the Stirling strip.  
28th October: Clear path behind the Riding Therapy Centre.

## **14. Christmas Lunch**

HC agreed to organise this with the venue being the Adamson Hotel Cairneyhill on the 9th December.

## **15 AOCB**

- (i) RC agreed to progress the purchase of more fleeces and polo shirts.

- (ii) SW reported back on the last meeting West Fife Villages Forum, which he had attended on our behalf. Concerns had been expressed at the meeting over the levels of littering, drunkenness, vandalism and motor bikes.
- iii) AT updated group on progress with the Forestry Commission permission which will be for remainder of 2019 and 2020.

**Date of next Meeting**

Thursday 7th November, 7:00 pm.