FCWT BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Meeting held <u>via Teams</u> 7.30pm 26th June 2023

MINUTES & ACTION POINTS

Item	Minute	Action	
1	Present: Donald Wright (chair, treasurer), Gisela MacFarquhar (minutes), David MacFarquhar, Steve Hull, David Binney, Gareth Whymant, Paul Kendall Apologies: Graham Shewan		
2	Minutes of 29 th May 2023 The minutes were proposed by DM, seconded by DW.		
	Actions arising from previous Minutes. • Tree safety report. GW is finalizing the report.	GW	
3	Correspondence. WEB		
	 6/4 Wendy Milne, asking about bike trails suitable for a 3-year old on a balance bike. GM replied. 7/6 Robin Grant, requesting phone chat about the Sanguhar 		
	7/6 Robin Grant, requesting phone chat about the Sanquhar Woodlands Mountain Bike Trails and potential collaboration with other trail associations and informal trail groups across the UK. He is setting up an association of UK trail associations and would like to have our bike trails included.		
	GM to pass contact details to DB who will contact Robin Grant. EMAIL	GM/DB	
	 29/5 Jon Meldrum, quote for car park repair 29/5/2023 Sanquhar car park £500 Sub-base £200 Delivery/drop off £60 		
	Muiry 2 x car parks £1800 Sub-base £350 Delivery/drop off £150		
	Roller for all three jobs £350 Diesel £200. Total £3610.		
	 1/6 Co-op Local Community Fund, reminder to apply for funding received – application submitted. 14/6 Pawel Drozd, woodcarver, arrangements for on-site meeting. 		
	GM to make enquiry regarding pricing.	GM	

5	Sangu	har Wood.	
	_	GM Work Party Report.	
		3/6/23, 5 volunteers removed self-seeded shrubs and coppicing sycamore	
		from behind 43 Woodside Drive property. Stumps were treated.	
	2.	SH Work Party Report.	
		6/6/23, 1 volunteer cleared laurel by the river and cut off taller laurel	
		remaining to try to make safer for a work party in the future and	
		slow down flowering.	
		17/6/23, as above. Loads of tiny laurel seedlings revealed that could	
		be pulled up when whole area opened up.	
		24/6/23, 5 volunteers cut off small Sitka spruce etc. in area between	
		bike hut and jumps.	
	3.	Litter. DB has not had an opportunity to check on litter. PK reported	
		that he has not seen much litter when out with school groups.	
		However, boards keep disappearing from the shelter.	
	4.	Wildlife. PK reported sightings of great crested newts when out with	
		Applegrove After School Club. However, there have also been an	
		increasing number of sightings of New Zealand flatworm.	
	5.	Bracken in coffin field. DB has agreed to cut the bracken by mid July.	DD
		Campervan activity in Sanguhar Mains car park. GS has observed	DB
		several campervans parked overnight. Action deferred until further	GS
		reports received from GS.	US
	7.	Eradication of laurel and rhododendron. The board agreed not to	
		use current contractor this year. DW will cancel current contractor	
		and approach alternative contractor to concentrate on laurel	
		eradication, establish a scope of work. Leave rhododendron until	DW
		later in the year when bracken has died down.	
	8.	Dallas Dhu housing development plan. There will be a drop-in	
		session in Forres Town Hall on 29 th June, 3 – 7pm.	
6	Comm	nunications.	
	•	DW reported no further contact with Canary Dwarf re payment for	
		web hosting.	
	•	WM received messages via web.	
	•	PK will put pictures of WildThings school activities on facebook.	PK
7	Financ		
		n bank £17,203.37	
	_	ents received	
	5 men	nbership payments totalling £42	
8		pership.	
		ported	
		mberships – 41 family, 40 individual, total 122 members	
	_	inders sent	
	2 new	memberships, 1 full, 1 family	

9	 AOB. DW requested photocopies of trustees' driving licenses for Companies House. 	DW
10	Date of next meeting. Board Meeting on 28 th August 2023 via Microsoft Teams.	