

FCWT BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Meeting held via Teams
7.30pm 29th April 2024

MINUTES & ACTION POINTS

Item	Minute	Action																								
1	<p>Present: Donald Wright (chair, treasurer), Gisela MacFarquhar (minutes), Steve Hull, David MacFarquhar, David Binney, Graham Shewan</p> <p>Apologies: Gareth Whyment, Paul Kendall</p>																									
2	<p>Minutes of 25th March 2024 The minutes were proposed by GS, seconded by DM.</p> <p>Actions arising from previous Minutes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree safety report. GW and DW finalizing the report – ongoing. • Maintenance of jumps – DW to contact Angus Dixon. • Objects left by householder – GM to take photos. • Hut and fence post repair. GW, GS and DB to attempt repair and remove debris. 	<p>GW/DW DW GM GW/GS/DB</p>																								
3	<p>Correspondence.</p> <p>WEB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28/3/24 from Paul Smith, Glasgow School of Art, asking if FCWT could give a talk to 50 visiting international students and academics. DW and PK responded with offer which was not taken up. • 28/4/24 from Mark Hindley, Editor of Forres Local, re dog owners reporting dogs being sick after recent walk in Muiry Wood, suspecting pesticide/herbicide treatment. DW will report to Mr Hindley that no pesticides or herbicides have been used in Muiry Wood for over a year. <p>EMAIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27/3/2024 Peter Scullion, Berryburn Fund. Confirmation of funds received to date <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">Total Award</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£7,026.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Less</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Invoice 2982</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£2207.40</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Invoice 2983</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 209.10</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Payment made 29/11/22</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£2,416.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Invoice 3012 (glyphosate)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 261.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MacLean 0484146</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 60.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>MacLean 0484143</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 240.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Payment made 31/10/23</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£ 561.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td> </td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total amount outstanding</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£4,047.90</td> </tr> </table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9/4/24 Mick Drury, FFWF, Management Plan for Kennel Wood, mainly removing foreign invasive species (laurel, rhododendron, 	Total Award	£7,026.00	Less		Invoice 2982	£2207.40	Invoice 2983	£ 209.10	Payment made 29/11/22	£2,416.50	 		Invoice 3012 (glyphosate)	£ 261.60	MacLean 0484146	£ 60.00	MacLean 0484143	£ 240.00	Payment made 31/10/23	£ 561.60	 		Total amount outstanding	£4,047.90	<p>DW</p> <p>GM</p>
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4	<p>Muiry and Newforres.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No work party report. GM will make another attempt at applying for funds for car park repair from Co-op <p>Reminder of quote from contractor for car park repair</p> <table> <tr> <td>Sanquhar car park</td> <td>£500</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sub-base</td> <td>£200</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Delivery/drop off</td> <td>£60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Muiry 2 x car parks</td> <td>£1800</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sub-base</td> <td>£350</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Delivery/drop off</td> <td>£150</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Roller for all three jobs</td> <td>£350</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Diesel</td> <td>£200</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>£3610</td> </tr> </table>	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	GM
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5	<p>Sanquhar Wood.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> SH Work Party Report. 6/4/24 Removed a sack full of discarded wire from inside of fence line near to Loch View/ Mannachie entrance. 1 vol. 27/4/24 Cut small Sitka spruce from woods where they are coming up very profusely. 3 vols. GM Sanquhar Work Party Report. 6/4/24, 2 vols., dug out and cut and treated rhododendron in area behind Woodend. Laurel treatment. GM reported that contractor has cut large group of laurel behind Woodend – stumps still to be treated. Benches. GM reported that contractor has constructed 2 benches. Litter at shelter. DB reported that there was not much rubbish at the shelter on his most recent inspection. Buffer zone. GM will contact contractor re quote for felling of Western hemlock at Woodend and Mannachie Rise. 	GM GM																		
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8	<p>Membership. GM reported that 15 reminders have been sent out, 3 payments remain outstanding. Membership total 110.</p>	
9	<p>AOB. Toun Mercat Friday 7th June. GM has booked a space, cost £25. FCWT brochures and information leaflets on ticks will be handed out. GM will prepare some activities. GM, PK and GW will attend. GM will email members to request support.</p>	GM
10	<p>Date of next meeting. Board Meeting on 27th May 2024 via Microsoft Teams.</p>	