

Minutes of LCT (13) Board Meeting of Monday 13 January 2020 (Community)

Present: Iain Brown(IB), Nora Conlin(NC), Stan Green(SG), Duncan Law(DL), Emily Macdonald(EM), Dougi McMillan(DM), Louise Robb(LR)(Chair), Martin Schmidt(MS)

Attendees: Steve Couttie(SC), Jeanette Couttie(JC), Alan Hannah(AH), Alison Hannah(ALH), Peter Duff(PD), Ruth Duff(RD), Gerry Best(GB)

Apologies: Katy Dobbie (KD), Raymond Muzszynski(RM), Jimmy Simpson(JS), Barbara Simpson(BS), Steve Wood(SW)

1. Welcome and Apologies(LR)

Introductions made and attendees from the wider membership welcomed. LCT meetings were open to the wider membership and public for the first hour. Notice of this will go on Facebook each month, along with copies of LCT Board Meeting minutes. Apologies noted as above.

2. Minutes of Meeting 28 November 2019 and Matters Arising(LR)

Minutes approved by IB and seconded by DM. Matters arising would be covered in the agenda.

3. Pier Update(LR)

LR reported on work on the pier to date. The survey was paid. The recent temporary repairs had made the pier more substantial and stable till next steps could be defined once the outcomes from the survey were established. The survey would help establish costings for work required. The survey report had not yet been received but was due 12 December 2019. It was subsequently promised for the end of January 2020. Surveyors were positive that that it would be possible to repair the pier.

The process for the signing over of the pier to the community was complex. The finance for any work/repair would have to be established. Funding options were being considered, for example community shares, fund raising, grant applications.

4. LAW Developments(DM)

DM reported that the Lundin Sports Club (upstairs) and The Crusoe (main bar area) would be venues for performances/gigs for LAW 2020.

Artists were presently being booked and some had already committed.

Food traders would operate from The Temple and a range of children's events would be organised.

LAW was primarily for artists in LCT communities to exhibit their work but It (LAW) was eclectic in its mix of the creative arts with spoken word/makars,

writers/poets/singers /music makers/bands all involved in performing at venues in the LCT area.

An open air event would be organised in The Crusoe car park with the pier as a main focus, and to include fund raising such as collection bins.

Noted that the pier would be a central theme of LAW 2020 as Crusoe had been in 2019.

Dates noted 18 – 26 July 2020. LAW website to be launched with details of artists, events, venues, tickets, brochure/guide and so on will be available.

Positive story from last year to be developed further and the artist trail concept built on.

Overall organisation of LAW was in hand re events and venues.

5. Largo House and Related Developments(SG and LR)

Positive discussions were continuing with the Crichtons (owners of Largo House). Updates would follow in due course.

SG was continuing to visit local groups within the LCT area. 'Needs and Offers' were being explored, ie what do groups need to take forward their agendas/interests/developments and what can they offer to help others?

Volunteering opportunities were also being created that community members could clearly see and engage with. Links require to be made between /amongst groups in the area so mutual support could be arranged. This proposal required further consideration and a mapping exercise carried out in the first instance. A community diary was another consideration for discussion.

Noted LR had attended The Simpson Institute Board Meeting and had mentioned the 'Needs and Offers' concept to them. As noted above, further work required. Include as an agenda item for the next Board meeting.

6. New Sub – Group: Funding and Related Issues (LR, EM, AH, ALH)

A funding sub – group has been convened and its membership noted above. LCT is developing but needs to find financial resources to support a communications strategy to communicate with its membership.

A range of funding sources was being explored. ALH explained that a grant application could be made to the Year of Coast and Waters – Plunge In as LCT was within a coastal area. Further consideration to be given to this possible funding stream. Noted also a possible link to Jenny Gilruth and the Coasts and Waters Community Fund.

Noted approximately £2000 needed to fund a communication strategy.

Other funding possibilities noted: crowd funding, community sharing such as Buy a Brick, donations to charitable trust from those interested, Starling Bank.

Funding sub – group to operate in line with LCT process.

7. Involvement of Young People(NC & LR)

NC and LR had carried out two workshops at The Waid. The views of young people had been added to the community consultation. NC would ascertain with the headteacher if two young people would now be willing to join LCT Board and

represent young people's views. (Male and female representation was being sought.)

8. Microsoft Capabilities(/ IT Systems (MS)

Licences up to 25 available to LCT re Microsoft 365. This is the system LCT is using. If support is required to access and get started, contact MS. LCT files transported to the system from LR's dropbox.

Minutes to be posted on Facebook

9. Membership

Membership noted:

Ordinary - 342

Associate - 41

Junior – 3

Process to be agreed re membership. Email addresses were up to date.

10 AoB and DoNM

DL to discuss funding re LCT Communication with Leven Rotary.

Email received: Jenny Gilruth (MSP) wished to visit LCT representatives. Wendy Chamberlain (MP) , invitation to visit to be extended.

Noted agenda item: LAW and Pier focus

DoNM – Thursday 27 February 2020 in LLCH.