

Redacted Minutes

Fraserburgh Development Trust Board Meeting held at the Hub, on Wednesday, September 5, 2012, at 5.30pm

1. Present – Hamish Partridge, Mike Pitman, Ian Watson, Alan Kennedy, Robin Mackinlay, Ricky Sheaffe-Greene and Mark Jackson.
2. Apologies – Duncan Abernethy and Ann Bell.
3. Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday, August 8th, 2012.
4. Matters arising – it was agreed items would be discussed as part of the agenda.
5. Renewables
The Board was advised that a meeting has been arranged with GHA for later this month to discuss both renewable and community projects.
XXXXXX Project
The sub group is still trying to arrange a meeting to finalise Heads of Agreement, so that we can move forward with the planning application.
XXXXXXXX Project
Once the meeting with GHA has taken place, then meeting will be arranged with landowner to discuss the Heads of Terms.
XXXXXXXXXX Project
The Trust is waiting to hear from XXXXXXXXX regarding the landowner's position.
6. Caravan Park
The Trust has been formally advised via email from the Area Manager that the Council have opted for a bid for both Fraserburgh and Rosehearty Caravan Parks by a cooperative.
7. Sports Hub
The Board were advised that the Sports Hub Steering Committee has been formed and that the Fraserburgh organisation is at a fairly advanced stage.
The first set of training courses in First Aid will take place later this month and are booked up and we have a waiting list for the next round of courses.
Further discussions are due to take place with Aberdeenshire Council and Sportscotland on planning for the Fraserburgh Sports Hub for the next period.
8. Community Garden
Provisional drawings of the site have been prepared and are being considered by the steering group, who have agreed a timeline to have the Fraserburgh Community Garden open by Spring 2013. In addition, a Working Group will consist of partners including NHS Grampian, Reaching Out Project, Community Wardens, Homestart, Schools Network, Fraserburgh Development Trust, Banff and Buchan College and Aberdeenshire Council.
9. Community Market
In partnership with Fraserburgh Forward (Fraserburgh Business Association), an application for funding has gone in to Community Planning. Both parties are awaiting the outcome.
10. Regeneration
Aberdeenshire Council are coordinating a special Working Group to discuss a strategy for Fraserburgh, Macduff and Banff Town Centres. This is being held in October.

The Trust is working with Fraserburgh Forward (Fraserburgh Business Association) on an outline town centre strategy as part of preparation for the Council Regeneration Meeting.

A number of projects relating to Fraserburgh were not passed at the last Banff and Buchan Area Committee, but indications from the Council are that other funds may be available.

11. SFS Project

Members of the SFS Sub Group have met with Buchan Area Manager, Chris Whyte, Banff and Buchan Area Manager, Margaret Jane Cardno, Bill Clark and Christine Webster of Economic Development.

They have also briefed Central Buchan Councillors and New Pitsligo Community Council. At the community Council meeting, 14 new members signed up to join the Trust.

A public meeting will be held in the village later this month.

Work on the Growing Community Asset Fund and the People and Communities Fund applications is ongoing. A second draft is going to SFS for assessment.

12. DTAS

It was agreed that a report on the visit by Three directors to the DTAS conference would be presented at the next Board Meeting. It was suggested that the Trust consider hosting a North East Development Trusts seminar day at Banff and College. It was agreed the Trust would discuss with Banff and Buchan College and examine this possibility.

13. Meeting with Area Manager

Two Directors met informally with the Banff and Buchan Area Manager to discuss various projects. It was agreed that the Area Manager receive regular telephone updates on existing and new projects from the Trust Manager.

14. Forward dates Meetings

Sub group meetings

- Regeneration – Monday, September 10 – 5pm.
- Renewables – Tuesday, September 11 – 5pm
- SFS – Monday, September 17 – 5pm

Councillors Engagement Meetings

- Wednesday 26th September 2012
- Wednesday 16th January 2013
- Wednesday 20th March 2013

Board Meeting dates confirmed as: October 3rd, November 7th, December 12th and January 16th.