



Grantown Initiative
Iomairt Bhaile nan Granndach

Grantown Initiative - Board Meeting

Minutes of Meeting on Tuesday 8 January 2019 at 7.30pm

The Grant Arms Hotel, Grantown on Spey

	Item	Action Points
1	Welcome /Apologies The Board wishes to thank David Duncan for hosting the meeting. Present: Directors – Stewart Dick (in chair), Roger Masters, Mel Dick, Neil Martin, Tom Clarke, Jane Hope, Karen Derrick (Advisor) Apologies: David Duncan, Basil Dunlop	
2	Election of Office Bearers The position of Vice Chair remains vacant as there were no nominations.	
3	Approval of previous minutes Minutes of 11 December 2018 meeting approved. Proposed – SD Seconded –MD	
4	Matters arising from Minutes (not otherwise on agenda)	
5	Declarations of Interest None	
6	Treasurer’s Report On behalf of DD and in his absence, MD distributed and presented the December 2018 accounts. Thanks go to MD from the Board for continuing as acting Treasurer pending the appointment of a new Treasurer.	
7	Membership	

	No new applications received.	
8	Grantown Community Website Not discussed due to focus on projects.	
9	Rails to Grantown (R2G) Not discussed due to focus on projects.	
9b	CARS (Conservation Regeneration Scheme) Not discussed due to focus on projects.	
10,11	<p>Tourism /Marketing/ GBA</p> <p>A sub-group has been formed to address the future marketing of Grantown on Spey, including the next stage of development and promotion of the website.</p> <p>A meeting involving a number of Directors to discuss a framework for the project is to be arranged.</p> <p>Hogmanay: The Board congratulated Tom Clarke and all involved for delivering another successful Hogmanay celebration. The following actions were agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TC to contact local businesses regarding future sponsorship - TC to discuss possibility of multi-event cover with First Aid provider - A wash-up meeting will be held in January to discuss how the event went and future improvements and actions 	<p>SD</p> <p>TC</p> <p>TC</p> <p>TC</p>
12	<p>GVCC</p> <p>SD and Linda Coe, GVCC Chair, have agreed to regularly attend GI and GVCC meetings on an ad hoc basis to further develop the relationship between the two groups.</p> <p>The next GI/GVCC joint meeting is to be held on Tuesday 26 February.</p>	SD
13	<p>GI Projects</p> <p>Discussion continues regarding priority and viability of GI projects and the success of the GI, perceived or otherwise. A decision was taken to expand the agenda of the AGM to include a quiz, a raffle and a few words on GI activities.</p> <p>Provisional date for AGM Sunday 7 April at 4pm. To be confirmed with DD.</p> <p>Community Storage: The acquisition of the former Council yard was further discussed and the decision taken that a purchase was not a viable</p>	SD

<p>way forward.</p> <p>SD spoke to John Kirk of Grantown Show Committee who agreed to allow storage of signs and cones in the Games shed.</p> <p>Cemetery Wall: A discussion was held around the viability of this project and it was agreed that the project should be put into abeyance for now until the necessity and priority level of the cemetery wall can be discussed and agreed with other interested parties.</p> <p>Mossie Play Park: Following discussion it was agreed the focus of this project should be to purchase and install a single piece of equipment. Agreement to be sought with THC for them to retain responsibility for maintenance and liability for the park. KD to approach Liz Cowie, GVCC to seek confirmation that the individual we have tried to communicate with in THC is the correct person, and to ask for her assistance in establishing contact. Funding sources to be identified, including securing funds from CoOp. The local Nursery to be approached to seek their view on what equipment is required/preferred.</p> <p>Commercial PA System: The quality and reliability of the existing PA system is an ongoing concern, and the THC plan to fell dead/dying trees in the square, to which some equipment is fitted, adds to concerns. SD to seek specialist advice regarding system requirements and solutions. Post meeting note from SD – enquiries have been made with several audio companies, awaiting further information.</p> <p>Burnfield Toilet: Efforts continue for the community to take ownership of the facility from THC through a Community Asset Transfer (CAT). Cost estimates are being gathered, discussions with contractors continue. It was also agreed to try and include the Town House garden area in the Burnfield CAT.</p> <p>The following actions were agreed; Discussions have taken place with Colin Lawson, who suggested the largest ongoing cost would likely be as a result of vandalism. SD awaiting quote for cleaning. SD/KD to explore funding options. KD to talk to representatives from Nethy Bridge regarding their Comfort Scheme.</p> <p>There are concerns around the viability of running the toilet block as a result of the need to secure funding on an ongoing basis, estimated to be c.£12-15k per annum. It is expected that the project could attract Comfort Scheme funding of c.£2,400.</p> <p>Parking: No discussion with GVCC took place in the month, to be discussed at the next joint meeting on 26 Feb.</p> <p>Grantown on Spey Square:</p> <p>A discussion was held around a potential new project to tidy up and</p>	<p>KD</p> <p>MD MD</p> <p>SD</p> <p>SD/KD</p> <p>SD/KD KD</p> <p>SD</p>
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	rejuvenate the Square – street furniture, signage, bins, lights, the PA etc. The first step is to discuss with GVCC and possibly THC.	SD
14	Correspondence Nothing to report.	
15	Alzheimer's Project RM reported positive progress in the month. RM proposed, supported by the Board, to form a sub group to assist with this project. SD to send RM draft terms of reference for the new sub group. Discussion was held regarding a web site for the Dementia Friendly project and it was agreed this should be a dedicated page on the grantownonline community website. SD and RM to progress.	SD SD/RM
14	AOCB RM commented that the signage at the entrance to Grantown references an out of date community website address. SD to raise with GVCC.	SD
	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 12 February 2019 at 7.30 pm in The Grant Arms, Grantown on Spey.	

List of Action Points C/F from Previous Meetings

Date	Item	Discharged
10/4	SRCT/GBA combined effort to produce new Town Map	SD/NM
10/4	GoS Museum/GBA sub-committee meeting to discuss working relationship and availability of Town Trail Map	JH/NM
10/4	Investigate using BT building car park as a site for storage container	SD
8/5	GDPR – policy defined, members to be asked to opt in again	MD
10/7	Are there benefits to the GI registering for VAT?	KD
11/9	Communications with owner of Hydro shop ongoing	SD
11/9	Letter of thanks to be sent to Motorman committee	Completed
13/11	KD to ask THC to delay any work on Square dead trees until New Year	Completed

Neil Martin 6/2/2019