

# Tarland Development Group Trustee Meeting

17<sup>th</sup> January 2024



## Minutes

1. **Attendees:** Dave(DH), Hayley, Linda, Jonqil, Julian, Sandra, Chris  
**Apologies:**

- a. Will
- b. Dave (DM)
- c. Ana.

2. **Matters Arising**

- a. Latest Minutes
  - i. Remove LS name
  - ii. Edit minutes to mention consultation regarding TT plans
  - iii. Remove PH Name

3. **Decisions made between meetings**

- a. Will (WR) appointed as paid minute secretary.
- b. F.Paterson approved as member.

4. **Membership**

- a. New Application from F.Paterson - Approved

5. **Tarland Trails**

Trail maintenance carried out on 12thNov. Car park repairs carried out. Further cattle escape but no trail damage. Glenmore lodge(National Outdoor Centre) held a coaches day at the trails. First Event of the year - 2nd jan - New Coaching Company. Lots of snow on the trails reducing numbers. Storm Gerrit - several areas of trees down - management plan worked well and quickly re-opened. CRC return for trail build in March. Order of meetings about future trail building ideas. Steering group to meet. Then meet MRT then seperate TDG trails meeting.

6. **Cromar Food Waste Project**

The food project continues as usual without incident. Our numbers are between 50 and 70 across the two days (Tarland & Logie Coldstone) each fortnight. We have now used up the funding that came from MAP for buying in extra food, and now are using an award of £450 from MacRobert Trust which will see us up to the end of March. We have let our customers know that we will be returning to monthly pop ups from April onwards as spring and summer are less busy, and with the possibility to up the frequency again next winter. This will give us time to do some

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education/workshops about avoiding waste, using up leftovers, shopping local and whatever other food issues come up. Linda will be stepping down as the TDG Trustee for the project from the end of March (at the latest), and Frank Paterson has offered to take it on.

Invite Frank to the next TDG meeting.

Email from Kate Redpath - proposal for paid coordinator? National Centre for Resilience Funding?

## 7. Tarland Wetlands

Pen drive given to Chris to upload files to Google drive. Nothing new. Discussion on Viewfield wetlands.

## 8. Paths and Access

- a. Tarland Way - Quote - Contact landowner
- b. Path Consultant bid - Did we get?
- c. Logie Coldstone - Got the consultant? Path to Dinnet / Tarland  
Chris to email Logie Coldstone Trust.
- d. Tarland Way - Bridges - Does the council inspect the bridges? (James Davidson)
- e. Skyline / Pittenderich Route - Tree Cleared by TTMO
- f. New Map - Trying to get Angus D(MRT) to come and see.
- g. Stone Circle Route - Leaning tree. Hopefully this will be cleared by somebody!
- h. Marker Posts - Quote to replace with recycled plastic needed.
- i. Gate past sand quarry in marshy bit - Repair needed? Gate moved? Or Drainage?

## 9. Tarland Bee Group

No major report from Bee Group. All apiary hives ticked up for the winter with the odd bit of feeding by members. Prepping for a further beginners class round this year and just finalising as a group how we want to run these. In terms of admin tasks if we're to employ someone:

- Booking the cabin for all groups.
- Memberships.
- Beginners admin.
- General group admin for updates.
- TDG/TBG file storage hierarchy.
- Social media focal point.

## 10. Lego Club

Decembers meeting of Lego club saw 63 people come together to build, with a double challenge to celebrate Lego clubs 1st birthday (to build a cake) and to help decorate the Christmas tree in

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the hall. January saw 72 people along to the hall, enjoying new sets to build and participating in a tower building challenge. A total of £1138.45 was raised by Duncan and Calum Lockerbie with their running efforts in 2023 - a massive thank you to them both and all who donated money to the cause. The Lego inventory continues but pace slowed over the festive period. Around 1/3 of all sets have been checked so far and more will be distributed to volunteers soon. Lego club steering group has teenagers on it. Do we need permissions, anything else etc to have a WhatsApp group chat with them, and to hold meetings? Re-register of PVG scheme - Hayleigh and Duncan to get PVG.

## 11. CAP

Local Place Plan or Community action plan discussed. Resilience flyers - brief ask of what people want. Basic lists - roads, snow wardens, Power cuts, alternative energies, broadband, flood defenses, school (Logie), hall car park, path networks. Hall got a quote - Socket/wiring for generator.

## 12. Calendars

All calendars sold(100) - £700. Lucy took £1 for each one sold. Attempt to get this year's calendar out earlier this year (Oct?). Will Repath will do a monthly post of this year's calendar. Chris to share old photos to Julian (old files shared by Peter Criag).

## 13. Gone to Seed

Posters to put up. Items to printers. Jonquil is looking to helpers at event / this was discussed. Banqueting roll?. All set for event.

## 14. Composting

Nothing to report.

## 15. Community Gardens

Wood chip spreading scheduled for this Saturday is postponed until further notice due to icy conditions. Membership renewal forms will be left at the garden on the table in the polytunnel this weekend. Members can email completed forms to LS and pay online, or bring payment and form on the day of the garden members meeting ; 27th January, at the MacRobert Hall, Small Hall at 10am

## 16. Food and Music Festival

Nothing to report. Meeting to be arranged.

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- 17. Cromar Community Council**  
Linda Moffat mentioned in minutes about contacting TDG. Chris to message.
- 18. Governance**  
Nothing discussed.
- 19. Film Club**
  - a. Increasing attendance (40 at Angels Share)
  - b. Running at a bit of deficit
  - c. Charlie running it.
- 20. Accounts, grants, awards and funding**  
Figures  
MTB version - Dave to send to Chris
- 21. AOB**
  - a. Google Drive
    - i. Historic Files from Peter.
    - ii. Tapestry Teatowel - Chris contact Jan.
      1. Colour Teatowel
      2. Digital Photos
      3. Jigsaw?
- 22. Next Meeting**
  - a. Feb 28th - General Meet
  - b. Invite Frank (Linda)
  - c. Wed 13th March
    - i. TDG / Trails only meet.
    - ii. Venue...Julians...
    - iii. Discuss results from consultation