



TBG Steering Group

Meeting – Sunday 16th February 2025 - Bee Bothy 3.30pm

1. Attendance & Apologies

Attendance: Marie Clark (MC), Yvonne Davidson (YD), Lindsay Stewart (LS), Dave Muirhead (DM), Sarah Leahy (SL), Ken Johnson (KJ), Dave Woods (DW)

Apologies: Lizzy Shepherd (LSH), Marlize Taylor (MT)

2. AP's from last meeting, 26th January 2025:

- Booking system for the 3 user groups of the Bee Bothy, centralisation of TDG administration, GDPR compliance etc. all ongoing with TDG Trustees **AP: DM**
- Honey extraction procedure and borrowing guidelines underway. **AP:YD**
- Library book plates to be affixed: workshop held at members meeting. Additional sessions will be required to complete. **AP:DW**
- 2025 Membership forms to be circulated to Steering group for review. **AP:DM**
- Biosecurity at Border enquiry – call for evidence submitted on behalf of Steering Committee by SL. Agreed to circulate to members (**AP:SL**)

3. Finance update: in hand DM working with Dave Hirst to get more detailed financial updates.

4. Beginners 2025: in hand, applications forms have been circulated to those on the waiting list.

5. Teaching and hive management 2025: in hand. Available dates to be provided to YD asap. Accepted dates will require swopping as other commitments arise.

6. Talks/Workshops 2025:

- Nosema
- Nuc/Apidea make up and uses
- Honey Analysis

- **Queenlessness**
- **Swarm collection/issues**
- **Honey workshop**
- **Demaree method**
- **Event to sell hives from Coull.**

7. AOB:

- **Alternative heat sources for bee bothy to be investigated. (AP:SL)**
- **Hessian and brood frames to be purchased. (AP:YD)**

8. Date of next meeting: TBD but prior to first beginners session.