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Delivery Group

Meeting 4 Minutes

Date: 30th June 2021 **Time**: 2-4pm **Venue**: MS Teams

Attendees:

Colin MacDonald (CCLP Project Supervisor	Kay McMeekin (Cumnock History Group)
Cynthia Bahi (CCLP Project Officer)	Bruce Davidson (East Ayrshire Woodlands)
Carolann McPhillimy (CCLP Project Officer)	Rufus Sullivan (The Cumnock Tryst)
Arthur McIvor (University of Strathclyde)	Dr Eila Williamson (University of Glasgow)
Elaine Stewart (Coalfield Regeneration Trust)	Dr Yvonne McFadden (University of Strathclyde)
Adrienne McGeechan (Sector Development Officer (tourism and food and drink), East Ayrshire Council)	Thomas Clancy (University of Glasgow)
Colin McKee (Heritage Projects Coordinator, East Ayrshire Council)	Louise Murphy (East Ayrshire Leisure)
Becca Barclay (Archaeology Scotland)	Amy Styles (The Conservation Volunteers)
Jamie Campbell (Netherthird Community Action Training)	Marie McNulty (Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere) Chair

Apologies:

Lyndy Renwick (Forest and Land Scotland), Gordon Thomson (Ayrshire Railway Preservation Group – Doon Valley Railway), Gillian Barrie (Green Action Trust), Jennifer Martin (The Cumnock Tryst), Isabel Campbell (Lugar Parish Church), Peter Livingstone (EADHA), Emily Hay (Coalfield Environment Initiative), Laura Curtis-Moss (Coalfield Environment Initiative), Marion Wyle (Lugar Parish Church)

1. Welcome and Apologies

   Marie McNulty (Chair) welcomed everyone and put in apologies as listed above.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

   Minutes from meeting of 7th April 21 were distributed and they was no amends. Elaine approved and Arthur seconded.

3. Actions and Matter Arising

- Action 1: Presentation to be sent out after the meeting. **Complete**
- Action 2: Colin to send out Risk Register. **Complete**
- Action 3: Partners to let Carolann know if they are interested in the course. **Complete**
- Action 4: Partners to let Carolann know if they are interested in attending. **Complete**
- Action 5: Partners to let Cynthia know of publicity activity **Complete**
- Action 6: Colin MacD to send out doodle poll to get dates. **Complete**

4. Launch Event on 9th July

Carolann went through the programme for the day.
Volunteer help was discussed and Bruce and team will help on the day.

Questions were asked about parking and there will be parking at Dunaskin and Dalmellington Community centre but not at Loch Doon.

Everyone was very positive and looking forward to attending the event.

Arthur asked about COVID compliance and car sharing.

Cynthia gave a summary of publicity planned on social media. Please do publicise.

Action 1: Carolann to send out final instructions for the day.

5. Project Supervisors Report
Colin MacDonald went through the report as per report sent out with agenda. No questions.

6. Project Updates

Connecting Communities – Elaine. Assisted in hosting a first aid course for Coalfield Environment Initiative. Helped secure £17k for work on Mason's hall. Putting in SUEZ grant bid for Lugar Heritage Centre. Also assisting ARPG in finding funding for walkways. Assisting Dalmellington Parish Development Trust with Sports Scotland bid for mountain bike project. Assisting boxing club with funding bid. Going to meet with Cumnock Heritage Centre

Musical Celebration of the Coalfields – Rufus. Work planning for next year (January start) underway. Film ready to showcase on the 9th of July.

Ploughing up the Past – Kay. Having a joint opening day on the 25th July with the Cumnock Heritage Centre. Cook will be launched at Christmas time. Have started face to face interviews with 4 done already and 2 more booked in.

Landscape Apprentices – Bruce. 3 progressing well. Collage work started and a variety of practical work undertaken already (foot paths etc). August will be busy month. They have all completed the first aid course. Looking to recruit a 4th as some extra funding has been secured. (Part of legacy of scheme). Happy to help anyone.

Action2: Everyone please let Bruce know if you need help with your projects.

Lost Villages – Arthur/Yvonne. Volunteers have been trained up and ready to go to conduct oral history interviews. Publicity about the project will be in the weekend Scotsman 4 July. Opportunity to be on the BBC radio Time Travel programme. A volunteer has designed a new logo for the project. Monthly blog on website.

School Green Gym – Amy. Looking to recruit new staff over the summer as Lyndsey has moved to another job. Looking to start project after the summer.

Attainment through Archaeology – Becca. First school group fully signed up and ready to start at the end of August for 5-week project.

Place Names - Eila. A talk was given to the Society of name studies in Britain and Ireland. Presentation ca be found at PLACE-NAMES OF THE COALFIELD COMMUNITIES (snsbi.org.uk). Data population is ongoing and field work will start early July. Looking for volunteers to establish Place Names walks.

Hedgerow Habitats – Jamie. Have been busy. 10 new Kick Start places to fill.

7. Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E)

As report sent out with agenda. No questions. Colin MacDonald stressed the importance of keeping this up to date as possible.

8. Finance

Match funding issues – Colin highlighted that over all match funding was OK but that we are working with the mountain bike project and the Doon Valley Railway to secure their remaining funding.

Claims to CCLP – No issues to report and there were no questions.

9. Risk Register and Health and Safety

Risk register was circulate with the agenda and there were no comment or changes suggested.

10. Sub Groups

Carolann updated on **Funding Group**
Work to be done on crowd funding for Doon Valley Railway. Next meeting will have a guest Kieran Daly form Social Investment Scotland and how these could be used to raise funds.

Cynthia updated on **Legacy Group**

The first meeting of the group was on 8th of June. Simon (Monitoring and evaluation consultant) gave a presentation on how legacy should be addressed. Community workers have been invited to attend in the future to help get more community input. Next meeting will be in January 2022.

Colin MacDonald updated on **Advisory Group**.
Had consulted HES about any proposed development at Dunaskin and have a contact to liaise with.

11. AOB/ Partners updates

Partner updates
Adrienne McGeechan – Will be attending 9th July event.

Colin updated on COP26 and not getting to be a Climate Beacon. However Historic Environment Scotland are keen to explore activity around COP26.

Marie – suggested we have a # link that all partners could use to aid in publicity for the CCLP. Cynthia to have one for the 9th July launch. #CCLPLaunch to share pictures etc from the day. More will be used throughout the project.

Marie – The Biosphere now have a new community and education officer, Jenna, who will be delivering the Sense of Place project.

AOB
Colin McKee – Hot of the press, the Council have just secured £1.3m for Scot Gov under the Place Based Investment Programme. He is on the working group in EAC and there could be capital-based projects in the CCLP area.

12. Meeting Dates for the Year

Meeting dates to be arranged to align with Board meetings.

These will be before 14th October.

Action 3: Colin MacD to send out doodle poll to get dates.

Summary of Actions
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