

**Minute of the Meeting of the St. Ninians Community Development Trust Limited
held in the Mayfield Centre on Monday the 26th of May 2008 at 7.00 pm**

1. Present:

Directors: Maureen Allan, Ian Brown, Murray Dickie, Steven Heggie (Chair), Carole Mooney, Patricia Ward and Ida Wilson.

Members: Peter McGowan, Genia Graham, Mac Das.

Apologies: Andy Davis, Jim Docherty, Alison Hall, Sharon Heggie, Gerry McLaughlin, Mark Meechan, Pat Mooney and John Wilson.

2. Minute of the previous meeting: This was read and approved (Ida and Maureen).

3. Matters Arising: There were no matters arising.

4. Companies House: When the accounts had been prepared £0.56p of bank interest and £0.10p of tax had been omitted. The accounts have been amended and will be submitted to Companies House.

5. Scottish Charities Commissioner: Amended accounts will be submitted to the Office of the Scottish Charities Regulator.

6. Directors Papers: No new or Retiring Directors.

7. Update on Current Projects:

- **Broomridge Tubs Project** – the project has been a great success. Favourable comments have been received and more local people are taking an interest. It was agreed to continue to support the project.
- **Beechwood Scouts** – the first phase is complete and the official launch took place on the 27th April. The two picnic benches fit well with the outdoor activities area and have already been well used.

8. New Projects:

- **Braehead Garden Project** – a grant application for £3,000 has been submitted to the Staffordshire Trust.
- **Beechwood Park** – a standing sub-committee of Torbrex Community Council has been formed to take forward community involvement in the development and maintenance of the park. The Community Council has obtained a grant of some £10,000 to support additional tree planting in the park. Beechwood Scouts have indicated that they are now looking at the next phase of development of the Beechwood Centre and would like to work with the Community Council and the Trust to secure funding. The Community Council have expressed an interest in acquiring or obtaining a lease on the area of the park adjacent to the Scout Centre.
- **Thistle Park** – following representation from COP, a meeting was held on the 28th April at which it was agreed that there was a need to support young people by providing alternative spaces to the current St Modan's all-weather pitch. It was agreed that, as a start, discussions would be held with young people about the possibility of enhancing the existing Thistle Park grass area for football.
- **SNCT Fair** – it was agreed that it would be a good idea to go for another fair. However, it was recognised that Xmas is a very busy period and that the February meeting of the Trust would be a better time of year. The Secretary was asked to contact groups to ascertain if there was support.

- **St Ninians Fete** –Gerry McLaughlin had suggested that COP would be in favour of a St Ninians Summer Fete. Following considerable discussion, it was agreed that the Trust should sound out local groups and organisations who already undertake some form of summer activity if they would be willing to co-ordinate these activities in the same period of time. The Trust could seek funding to “badge” these separate events under a single banner.
 - **Mayfield Young People’s Project** – it was agreed to contact Stirling Council Youth Services with a view to resubmitting the grant application to the TSB.
- 9. Pre-Planning Meeting:** It was agreed to hold a brief pre-planning meeting on Monday 29th September at 7.00 pm in the Mayfield Centre.
- 10. Any Other Competent Business:**
- **Cultural Activities in Care Homes Project** - Mac Das thanked the Trust members for the inspiration of there last fete and support from members. He reported that he had set up a project group within the Forth Valley University of the Third Age. The Cultural Activities in Care Homes Project aims to provide stimulating activities and to broaden the range of cultural and leisure opportunities available to residents of care homes and other long term care settings for older people. The group is developing work with local care homes to arrange events that bring cultural and leisure activities to residents. The events in the homes will include local music, theatre and dance groups, performances by local school children, Forth Valley U3A groups and reminiscence sessions. Further information contact Dr Mac Das on 01786813326 or email: pcdas@robindas.com or check theForth Valley U3A website: www.forthvallevu3a.org.uk
 - **Community Planning Forum 05** –the Secretary reported that the Forum had produced a strategic community plan for roads development and were about to start work on an audit of community facilities and activities with a view to producing a strategic community plan to support and develop community facilities and activities.
- 11. Dates of Next Meetings:** The next meetings of the Trust will be held in the Mayfield Centre at 7.00 pm on Mondays 27th October, 1st December and 23rd February 2009 (AGM).