

Largo Communities Together (38) Monday 27 June 2022 at Chair's House

Board Members Present: Nora Conlin, Irene Kay, Jan Kerr, Jill Miller, Dougi McMillan, Louise Robb (Chair) (all the aforementioned present in person) Stan Green, Emily Macdonald (on Zoom)

In Attendance: P Logan (DO)

Apologies: A Brown, R Graham, B Russell, J Simpson

1.Welcome, update, apologies/ Board Roles and Responsibilities

LR welcomed all in attendance to the meeting. Apologies noted as above.

LR thanked those who had emailed reports and comments prior to the meeting. The documents would be referred to in the course of the agenda.

LR has been interviewed by STV Dundee along with Peter Aitken, LACC re Beach Designation status and the water testing carried out by SEPA on 17 June. Board members commented on LR's clear presentation. Testing of the water is being taken forward because of the Beach Designation status. LR highlighted that as a community we wished to work with SEPA and Scottish Water to improve the water quality in Largo Bay. Noted that Largo Bay is the gateway to the water for the Largo and Levenmouth area. Noted grant from Levenmouth Reconnect.

2. Minutes of 16 May 2022

Minutes of 16 May 2022 proposed by JM and seconded by JK. All matters arising covered in the agenda.

3. LACRT Update

IK referred to the LACRT report in her update.

Noted:

- Renamed Largo Area Community Response Team as from 25 May 2022.
- Funding agreed for the Big Picnic insurance; bulbs and bedding plants for K of L PS to enhance the appearance of the telephone box for the village; consideration to be given to support mobility for wheelchair users.
- Funding to be covered through Civic Pride grant. Noted that LACRT funding is mostly ringfenced for specific project development.
- Need for a few more distributors for Largo Links to cover holidays. Names suggested and noted by IK.
- Review of LACRT projects to go ahead to ascertain progress.
- Ukrainian Displaced People: meeting organised for Tuesday 29 June 2022 in the Simpson Institute to consider how the community might welcome and respond should Ukrainians be resettled in the Largo area. Review of who might be attending discussed, as well as



arrangements for the format of the meeting. It was decided on an open format with no formal presentations. Information about the event was available online. Noted community residents had already left online responses. Notices would be displayed around the villages advertising the meeting further, as well as a further push on social media.

4. Pier update

In the absence of JS, SW has submitted a written report on current progress of the Pier. It was noted as comprehensive in scope and detail.

LR, JM, LR, RG and SW had met to discuss funding proposals. Noted it is worth looking at the National Pier Society website. Funding and other topics noted therein. It was agreed that the Largo area is a gateway to the sea as noted above and that the Pier development will be fundamental to that in future funding proposals.

It was considered important to update information about the Pier on the LCT website to ensure that those who donated would be informed of progress. A timeline re developments would be helpful as had been previously suggested by JS. Expectations re developments had to be carefully managed. A timeline would support community understanding of the process and the length of time the restoration would take to come to fruition.

5. Treasury update

DM has not yet been listed as LCT treasurer on official banking documentation. Once the changeover process is complete from EM to DM, he intends to put forward proposals re the treasury role. Noted that the Book Keeper is now in post for the day to day running of accounts which would be extremely helpful in the overall management of LCT finances.

Ocean Day drew in £60 and a donation of £20 was also made to LCT.

EM and LR are on holiday during July. SG could also authorise payments, if required.

6.Community Sustainable Development update

JM suggested that the quarterly report which must be prepared for DTAS should be shared with the LCT Board. This report provided an overview of where we were in our project development. Agreed that this would be good information to have to hand. Noted that PR carries out tasks assiduously and is putting good processes in place for the efficient organisation of LCT.

7.DO and LPP update

PR highlighted points from her report:

- Ocean Day(s) 8 and 11 June were very successful.
- Both primary schools attended. More resources would be useful in the future, e.g., rock pooling equipment.
- Support from Happy Beaches and FCCT.



- Evening event (film and meal) at the Aurrie very enjoyable and very well attended.
- All involved thanked for participation and efforts.
- LPP: needs and offers mapping developing well; two housing consultations held; online comments received; main engagement being planned for September; developing general events scheduling; ensuring there are no gaps in information gathering. Next LPP meeting to be held in July.
- Homes for Ukrainian Displaced People consultation organised for 28 June. See above.
- Coastal Communities: East Coast Communities Meet 23 August.
- Working on maintaining momentum for coastal communities.

8.Equity and Inclusion

JK highlighted points from her report:

- Sea Day and Pony Axe S proved successful. Hoping to organise the pony rides during LAW. Finance organised for future use of Pony Axe S. One visitor also handed in a donation.
- Beach wheelchairs had to be cancelled during Sea Day. However, hoped to make the beach accessible to everyone now that we have Designated Beach Status.
- Temple car park toilets: lack of Changing Places Toilet (CPT) with appropriate facilities means the area is not inclusive for everyone. Agreed this should be included in the LPP and that a steering group be convened to explore the feasibility of a CPT in the area, and to include having beach wheelchairs. The Homelands architect could perhaps be approached to take an initial look. Noted Helen Ross has expressed interest in being involved in access developments.
- Include use of an Induction Hearing Loop (available at Homelands) in future film events and also add subtitles to support communication.
- Noted that a path has been laid on the pebbles at the flower boat at the harbour to allow improved access. Thanks expressed to Jim Archer for this work. Materials provided through donation.
- Lower Largo Friendship Group (LLFG) plans to use the Paxton Centre two days per week.
- Lundin Ladies golf Club now has wheelchair access.
- Diversity Week 5 11 September, theme Reconnect.
- Let JK know if any facilities are being upgraded to become more inclusive.
- Lucky Ewe SCIO based in North-East Fife allowing people with additional support needs the opportunity to participate in farming related experiences.
- Balcormo Stud has indoor facilities used by Riding for the Disabled (RDA) local group.

9.Largo Wider Community Assets and Estate

SG is now attending LACC meetings.



Discussion re if we have enough joined up transport options round the villages. Not everywhere is accessible. Would there be a demand for a bus link round the villages or a community minibus? Should this issue be explored through the LPP process?

SG to liaise with A Tompkins re creating an electronic events diary to complement Largo Links.

A meeting arranged with Kathy Beckett at Largo House. Mary Parry and PL to be involved.

Noted a memorial to the Polish people to be erected at the end of East Drive.

SG suggested that the Largo House Group no longer needs to meet. A broader outlook is required to include other buildings/estate in the area, perhaps enacting the Abandoned and Neglected Legislation, if appropriate. It was considered that LCT should look to include community assets within its portfolio of projects in the area. SG would discuss the aforementioned with the Estate Group prior to the inclusion of an estate remit within LCT.

10.Marketing and Communications

Noted that AB has written the Marketing and Comms Plan which will be distributed to the marketing group for comment prior to distribution to LCT.

See AB's email for further detail re discussion with SW and JS on Pier Group comms.

AB intends to attend the next editorial meeting of Largo Links.

11.AoB and Date of Next Meeting

RG has been covering comms generated through the Contact address. NC, within the Secretary remit, will take on the Contact role. LR to see MS to set up within the Secretary... address.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 27 August 2022. Venue: Largo Library and Community Hub at 7.00.