



**Scottish Rural
Development
Programme**

**Angus LAG Meeting
20th November 2017**

**Venue: 61 Marketgate Arbroath DD11 1AT
Draft Minute of Meeting**

Present:

Private Sector:

Douglas Pond (DP) (Chair) - Friockheim & District Community Council
Charles Goodall (CG) (Vice Chair) - Care About Angus
Gill Lawrie (GL) – Rural Leadership Group & Angus LAG
Jenny Adamson (JA) – Individual (previously Angus Glens Community
Broadband Cooperative)

Public Sector:

Alison Smith, Service Manager (AS) (Vice Chair) (Economic Development) -
Angus Council
Graham Hewitson (GH) Service Manager (Communities) - Angus Council
Gina Ford (GF) - Scottish Enterprise

Attending:

Public Sector:

Shelley Hague (SH) Business Manager (Funding, Policy & Projects) – Angus
Council

In Attendance:

Kim Ritchie (KR) Angus LEADER/EMFF Assistant Coordinator
Bruce Thomson (BT) Angus LEADER/EMFF Financial Officer
Angela McMillan (AMc) Angus LEADER/EMFF Clerical officer
Emilie Lindbladh, Swedish Undergraduate Placement

Apologies:

Private Sector:

David Valentine (DV) - Dundee & Angus Chamber of Commerce
Graham Galloway (GG) - DD8 Music
Mark Cessford (MC) - Montrose Community Council
Jeremy Parker (JP) - NFU
Hugh Campbell Adamson (HCA) - Scottish Land & Estates

Public Sector:

Jim Clarkson (JC) - Visit Scotland
Mike Strachan (MS) - Forestry Commission Scotland

1 Welcome & Apologies

Apologies

Apologies from MC, GG, HCA, JP, DV, JC, MS

DP welcomed everyone to the meeting and confirmed that the meeting was not quorate. 6 Voting members were present, of minimum 8 required. It was agreed that decisions on the agenda items would need to be deferred and it was further agreed that decisions would be requested by written procedure through email asap.

2 Applications

Those attending then supported the chair and staff to draft suitable recommendations for the written procedure process, based on the summary reports, with scores and rankings, circulated prior to the LAG.

The recommendations were as follows.

- **Tayside Equestrian** – Recommendation
Reject application. Limited funds available. Not a priority for the LAG based on the enterprise interest.
- **Grewars** – Recommendation
Not enough funds available. Application to be held should more funds become available.
- **Denfind Stone** – Recommendation
Offer award of £88,479, the balance left within the enterprise allocation.
- **Ogilvy Spirits Ltd** – Recommendation
Offer award of £125,503.20 against the communities allocation and conditional of an acceptable community benefit being included in the application. Full details to be discussed and agreed with the applicant and LAG.

To minimise further delay for these applications it was agreed to circulate these recommendations by email for a decision from the LAG by written procedure by return email by no later than 5pm Wednesday 22nd November.

The chair reported that he will

- recommend to the next full LAG that the enterprise fund should be closed now that all funds had been allocated; should further enterprise funds become available the fund would be opened again.
- advise the LAG of the pressures the team are now under with the fund depleting and suggested that the LAG get more involved in decisions at

Eol stage and agree applications to be developed to full. This would be discussed with the full LAG at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting 6th December 2017