Upper Eskdale Development Group Directors' Meeting Thursday 9th July, 2015

Present: Sue Campany, Nick Jennings, Ernie Buck, Les Harrison, Jock Miller, Jennie Mills, Bernard Provost, Susie Lilley, Victoria Long.

Apologies: Scott McCarthy, Lodro Dorje

- 1. **Minutes of the Meeting of June 2015**: There were some minor changes which were done. These were then accepted by Jennie and seconded by Jock.
- 2. Matters arising:
- Keyholders: the keys have been made but still lack fobs.
- Wifi: the problem with this has been resolved.
- Hooks for dog leads and dog bowls outside Café can be added to the Wish List.
- Attracting bikers: The location of the items for sale for motorbike maintenance is still to be established.
- Housing survey results: <u>Nick will send these to all the directors.</u>
- Website: companies have been contacted with regard to a new website. There may be a grant for small businesses such as ours. Nick will investigate.
- 3. The Shed (for garden and freezer): this may need planning permission. Victoria will enquire.
- 4. Cashing Up: Sharon do cashing up weekly rather than monthly. Tanith is also doing this.
- 5. **Staffing**: Since Ernie Buck had offered to be the Board's Personal Relations representative for the Hub Staff, he will be interviewing staff members concerning some communication difficulties and discussing their needs.
- 6. **Hub Manager**: It was agreed that Sharon would at some point be considered for the post of Hub manager.
- 7. **Development Managers report**: attached.
- 8. **Health Check**: the principles of this were gone over. Nick advised that further funding was possible from the Lottery for the short term.
- 9. Chairs report: Sue wishes to have the Financial Meeting monthly before the board meeting.
- 10. Hub Administrator's report: Attached.

Matters Arising from report:

- i) It was suggested that some <u>plastic holders be ordered</u> for the Hub leaflets for various locations.
- ii) Milk: The selling of milk at the Hub was discussed, frozen or otherwise. This might be clearer after the consultation Sharon will do.
- iii) Blameless Hussies: not to go ahead for August, but could possibly happen in Spring 2016.
- 11. **Events**: was suggested that we link up with the Lockerbie Jazz Festival. However, it is too late for this year.
- 12. **Signs along the road:** these would be better if they always had something in them. <u>Jock will discuss this with Sharon.</u>

- 13. **Anonymous letter:** This was received by the Lottery and roughly read: 'we only run a café and don't serve the community'. <u>All criticism's that we wish to acknowledge should come to the board before being responded to.</u>
- 14. **Playground:** A picture of a potential Playground for the back of the Hub was passed around. The board agreed to allow Victoria to consult all and everybody about this and fundraise in UEDGs name.

Next board meeting: Thursday 13th August, 7pm.

Victoria Long Secretary