

Threlkeld Quarry Road Management Company Ltd

Meeting of the Company Directors: 31 October 2017

Present: Lucy Harrison (Chair), Ian Hartland (Director), Bill Graham (Director-Elect), Richard Siddall (Director), Denis Frost, Wendy Thurrell, Rosemary Vidler

Bill was nominated by Lucy (seconded by Richard) to be the successor to Kate Garratt as Director of TQM. Relevant paperwork to be completed.

Apologies: Kerry Powell (NP), Julie Wood (NP), Sally Bickerdyke

Minutes of the AGM, 19 May 2017

- Bill confirmed that BEC **will** contribute £2300 pa to TQM
- Denis confirmed Accounts and Corporation Tax Return both appropriately filed
- Denis also confirmed that the Share Structure confirmation statement has also been registered
- Denis and Richard have met Ross (Lakeland PC) about the QM website. The design is underway and text to be written - in progress
- The Threlkeld Quarry Facebook page was written for the summer fare. Lucy is the page manager and the material can be adapted to include TQM information and comment.
- Contributions to the 2017 Appeal have been received from 22 households, 19 contributing £50 and 3 contributing £100. Noted that no contributions have been received from the Businesses. Noted too that Lakeland PC are contributing in kind as they are helping with the TQM website at no charge. **Bill** will contact the Businesses to encourage their contribution as regular and frequent users of the access road.

Projects

- The drop in the number of contributions received so far is probably a reflection of a lack of engagement from residents in particular. No further activity, like pothole filling, has been observed in recent months, indicating no discernible action by TQM. After some discussion, **Ian** agreed to deal with and subsequently fill the large pothole in the approach road and others in Glendermackin Terrace in the first weeks of November. A further approach to residents and the Businesses for contributions towards the 2017 appeal will then be made shortly thereafter. **Richard and Wendy**
- The quarry roads need to be fully surveyed to assess what is possible in the way of longer term repairs. A topical example is a proposal to top dress to the approach road. This is potentially an expensive activity. Bill has a current West Cumbria project where a similar activity is underway. He will investigate the possibility of the surveyors on that project being able to visit the quarry to carry out an initial assessment. **Bill** will report back to Lucy by the middle of December.
- The United Utilities local project also needs following up to establish possible TQM projects capitalising on their interest in community projects and related developments. The Quarry area is a well established community with many of the essential elements to define it as such (eg clearly defined location and area, the LDNPA Regional office, tourist attractions, businesses and residents mix, Quarry stone used to build Thirlmere

dam etc), so should be a strong contender to attract UU funding to further its aims and objectives. **Bill** agreed to follow this up with the Cath Johnson the local LDNPA Ranger.

- There has been an exchange of correspondence between Lucy and Kerry Powell (NP) concerning NP commitments to TQM and other contributions to TQM funds arising from new builds in the quarry area. These emails will be forwarded (**Richard**) to those attending this meeting for information only. **Denis** will follow up where appropriate.
- The AGM approved a project to address safety issues at the junction of Saddleback and Blencathra Views. **Denis** agreed to work with Roger Wildsmith (former TQM Director) and Kerry (funding questions) to consider the possible installation of a 5-bar gate and pedestrian 'kissing gate' on the blind corner.

Future meetings

- It was agreed that we should meet every quarter to monitor and discuss progress and future developments. It was also agreed that the Spring meeting should comprise a "site visit" to become even more familiar with the issues we are considering.
- It was also agreed that the 2018 AGM should be on the equivalent date to that in 2017.
- **Richard** will organise both the next meeting and the AGM.
- The date of the Winter meeting will be **Tuesday 16 January 2018 at 7.30pm at 6 Glendermackin Terrace.**

Richard Siddall
14 November 2017