

Dunbar Community Woodland Group  
Committee Meeting of 20 November 2001  
Held in Hallhill Healthy Living Centre  
Meeting Minutes

**Present**

Simon Bell, Colin Elliot, Mark James, Philip Revell (chair), Jim Thomson, Kay Wilson, Chrysse Savarnis

**1) Apologies**

Chris Eden, Nichola Stewart.

**2) Previous minutes:**

Minutes of 18 October approved.

**3) Matters arising**

- a) SWT Woodland survey: PR to pursue receipt of final report.
- b) Logo competition: Prizes now presented.
- c) Secondary Paths: JT has now passed a copy of the drainage plan to PR.
- d) Woodland Survey /Management plan: as below.
- e) Events: PR has discussed with Countess Youth Centre and they are happy to participate with a clean-up event. Provisionally agreed for end of February.
- f) Secondary Paths: PR tabled the latest proposals which met with general approval. He will now send a copy of the network plan to Ken Ross.
- g) Rubbish Management: PR to speak with Maree Johnstone to establish ELC strategy. The committee can thereafter discuss what action if any requires to be taken.
- h) Tree planting at primary school: some discussion took place regarding the potential input and the options open to the group. PR still establishing school strategy and item held pending.

**4) Woodland Survey /Management plan**

SB presented first draft of this document, briefly introducing the main elements of the plan. Given that the committee had not had the opportunity of considering this it was agreed that members should consider and forward comments to SB when they have considered.

SB took the opportunity of introducing Chrysse Savarnis to the committee. Chrysse is currently registered on a Masters programme in Landscape Architecture and is looking for a subject for her major project. The committee were in general approval to Chrysse working on a project specific to Lochend and she is to consider and advise if she wishes to pursue this possibility.

**5) New Membership Forms**

PR to supply KW with updated road layout. Thereafter printing to be arranged with Lothian Printers asap.

**6) Community Woodland Conference**

CE submitted a brief report of this conference that took place in Dalbeattie. The event was particularly useful in networking with other groups and gaining advice on funding opportunities and best practice. He is to make a contribution on this for the forthcoming newsletter. He is also to pursue Reforesting Scotland for details and examples of participatory forest appraisals for consideration by the group.

**7) Any Other Business**

- a) It was felt appropriate that we establish direct contact with housebuilders given the potential third party liability upon them through Ken Ross's continuing in-action. PR to establish from Steve Cummings appropriate contact points with house-builders. KW to provide contact names and addresses she has previously pursued.
- b) CE to contact Judith Lowes regarding funding/sponsorship strategies.
- c) Newsletter to go out by the end of November. PR and CE to liaise.
- d) J. Affleck of the Forestry Commission to be invited to the next meeting.

**8) Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, 18 December at 7.30 p.m. Venue to be Healthy Living Centre.