

Moray DMB

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday 13th January 2010

Present:

DMB Members

Paul Timms (SNH) **Chair**
Alastair Kennedy (Joint Community Councils of Moray)
Cllr John Russell (The Moray Council)
Rosella Smith (MFCHA)
Eileen Bush (MVSO)

In attendance

David Watson (Moray LEADER programme Manager)
Lindsay Grant (Moray LEADER programme Co-ordinator)
Pierre Masson (The Moray Council)

1. Apologies

Anita Milne (Moray Forum)
Bridget Oatridge (Moray Businesswomen)
Matthew Young (Forestry Commission)

2. Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.
It was agreed that PM will draft an application and criteria for the Rural Moray Business Grant Scheme.

3. Ideas for other schemes

DMB members were encouraged to keep thinking of possible ideas for schemes that the LAG could support.

4. Budget update

There is no change in the budget from the last LAG meeting.
DMB members were informed that 3 claims have been sent to the Scottish Government to claim back 50% of our admin costs.
Members were also informed that the claims process for applicants is sometimes difficult especially when providing quotes for items which cost a small amount. LEADER staff will speak to the appropriate people in the Scottish Government regarding this issue to see if can be resolved in any way.

5. Proposed times and venues of future meetings

The next LAG meeting is on 24th Feb in Elgin Youth Café at 1pm.
The next DMB meeting is on 7th April in the Boardroom of Moray College at 10am.

6. Any other business

1. Future business planning

It was decided at the last LAG meeting that the intervention rate will stay at 50%, with the opportunity to go up to 90% in exceptional circumstances.

2. Moray Rural Gathering

The Moray Rural Gathering will take place on 29th January in Inchberry Hall. Members were asked to pass on details of this to anyone who they think may be interested in attending.

Actions:

- a. PM to draft application and criteria for Rural Grant Scheme
- b. LEADER staff to contact Scottish Government regarding issues with claims