

KPT DT Directors' Meeting Minutes – Thursday, 13th August 2026

1	Present	Maureen (Chair), Caroline, Alison, Michelle J, Rachel & Fiona
2	Apologies	Chris
3	Declaration of Interest	None
4	Minute of Previous Meeting	June – Proposed by Fiona and seconded by Alison July – Proposed by Rachel and seconded by Caroline
5	Matters Arising	
6	Correspondence	
7	Finance Report Community Benefit Fund approvals	The finance report was circulated by Michelle C. prior to the meeting. Income in July was £21,481 and expenditure was £12,234. The cash balance was £209,845 Application from Brionny for CBF of £1000 for Younglands Theatre - AGREED New milage rate for staff from 45p to 55p - AGREED CBF application of £250 to the Friendship Club for Burns Supper – AGREED
8	Development Officer Report	Michelle circulated reports and applications prior to the meeting. KPTDT are now members of Community Supported Agriculture. Amazing Summer: £1000 funding from Penpont Community Council was secured and feedback of events will be sent to PCC. Amazing summer activities come to an end Friday 14th August and have been a huge success for the community. KPTDT have been unsuccessful in securing Health Lottery funding. Awaiting feedback regarding Children's Lottery funding bid. Plans for an e-bike "pick up picnic" event were discussed, which will launch over the same weekend as the Wheels, Walking and Wellbeing event in September, tying into Travel Wise Week and promoting active travel and healthy food. Michelle has enrolled on the University of Edinburgh's Climate Springboard course to improve the trust's ability to calculate carbon footprints and

		develop a net-zero action plan which is hoped will help with future funding opportunities.
9	ATP Tracks & Trails Update	Caroline circulated her report prior to the meeting. Funding pressure has increased because money to complete phase 1C of the path may also have to cover remedial work on the railings at the listed bridge, following the refusal of listed building consent. Following inspection of work a snagging list for phases 1B1 and 1B2 which has been agreed with the contractor, including warping railings caused by heat, misaligned chicane gates and signposts twisted out of position. Cairn Construction are to rectify these defects. The main issue was the future of the railings specified to meet Cycling by Design safety standards but rejected under listed building rules. Four technical options explored: • adding artwork to the existing galvanised railings • powder-coating and re-using the existing railings in a heritage-appropriate colour • replacing them entirely with new approved railings at 1.2m height • removing them altogether and reverting to the original bridge appearance Each option carried costs and risks. Artwork would require extensive surface preparation and specialised paint and might attract community criticism. New railings would be most expensive and offer little visible benefit over powder-coating. Removal would have liability implications if anyone fell, and would contradict the original safety rationale. It was agreed to avoid the artwork option for now due to complexity and cost. It was proposed submitting a revised listed building consent application setting out three options and asking planning officers to specify what they required, while also querying how the additional costs might be met. It was emphasised the need to be clear that any decision to remove railings would be entirely the council's responsibility, not the trust's or the designers', to avoid future liability. Phase 1C and the RDO remains unresolved. KPTDT

		have heard nothing for a month and do not know whether the RDO has been lodged with the Scottish Government.
	Risks:	RDO remains unresolved
10	Community Housing Update	The trust has signed the grant offer from SOSE and have agreed to appoint McGowan Miller as project manager. McGowan Miller will draft and manage tender for a contractor who would take on both design and construction. A local contractor is preferred.
11	Community Garden	Fiona shared Ayda has returned and has been volunteering at the garden. Mark had been helping with the chickens and minor repairs such as shed doors. The garden received £600 contribution from Leslie's funeral. A wildlife camera has been installed, used mainly for observing wildlife around the chickens and garden. Another solar-powered deterrent device has been fitted near the path to bark or sound alarms to deter predators from the chickens. It was discussed about re-establishing a Saturday presence outside the café with a stall or display, possibly using a cargo bike as a mobile stand, to distribute vegetables to customers and passers-by
12	Risks	Director overload – new trustees and volunteers to be explored and identified.
13	AOCB	A leaflet will be drafted for a door drop to raise awareness and encourage board applications. A possible information open evening to take place to encourage board applications. Penpont Community Council were approached about a joint memorial for Leslie. This will require joint input and ideas from both parties. A further memorial for Leslie to be explored at the Community Garden. Further exploration and discussion required about a village caretaker with Penpont Community Council.

14	Date of Next Meeting	Thursday 17th September 2026, 6.00pm.
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