

Tayside Biodiversity Partnership



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URBAN & BUILT ENVIRONMENT WORKING-GROUP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Friday, 7th February 2014

Hillcrest Housing Association, 1 Explorer Road Dundee DD2 1EG

Present: Esther Rogers-Nicoll (ERN) Chair (Perth & Kinross Council)
Catherine Lloyd (CL) Tayside Biodiversity Partnership Co-ordinator
David Williamson (DW) Perth & Kinross Council
Carolyn Deasley (CD) SNH
Janice Fraser (JF) Hillcrest Housing Association
Kelly Ann Dempsey (KAD) Angus Council

	Heading	Narrative	Action
1. & 2.	Welcome and apologies	ERN welcomed everyone. Apologies had been received Bill Griggs (BG), Ian Ford (IF), Fergus Cook (FC), Tim Caselton (TC), and Craig Borland (CB). ERN had circulated the minutes from the last meeting for information, and these were accepted as an accurate record. All matters arising would be covered by the agenda. The group asked that their best wishes be extended to Craig as he undergoes further treatment.	
3.	Project proforma review & updates	Before the forum meeting in May we need reviewed proforma. CL has old proforma; the newer version asked for a lot of information (for BARS) and wanted this to be map-based- which involves a lot of work. To facilitate getting things started we decided to use the old proforma which are far less daunting to complete- it was agreed the most important thing to do is to get up-to-date information for the revised LBAP. We need actions from 2014-2024 All proforma to be updated by the end of March, but by mid-March to ERN if possible as she is on leave at the end of March. Each lead partner to be asked to update proforma and to revise objectives and targets, timescale for smart targets would be better Consider inviting a member of green graveyards group onto Urban Working group	ALL CL

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		<p>Green Graveyard proforma- CL/DW to re-write, KAD to ask about management Plan for graveyards in Angus, mention heritage Trails and year of homecoming Non-native Plant species to be renamed Biosecurity and to include all species- to become a generic action, as per Cairngorms- some discussion on whether we can find out what SEPA are doing with their separate INNS group- KAD/ERN/CL to draw up new proforma Green Roofs KAD to ask her architects what green roof projects have been/ are being taken forward in Angus KAD & DW to ask property and architects of any problems they have encountered and ask if there is any reason that green roofs are not more mainstream- Answer needed by March It was decided that Greenspace, community gardens, allotments etc could all be amalgamated into “the Urban Greenspace” (or other catchy title), also to include golf courses and green graveyards, keep urban grassland in this too. CL to look at this- CD & DW “happy to input” Swifts- to be done by Danielle CD asked if we had any new projects A lot of interest has been shown in Urban Bats and we don’t have a proforma for this, new Angus Bat project would sit comfortable with this, ERN to ask Angus Rangers to update Also Hedgehog project- being led by Angus Rangers- ERN to forward proforma for completion CD expressed an interest in an urban bird project, perhaps to be tied in with the big garden birdwatch? To benefit tree sparrows and others CD to do proforma ERN to meet with CL to go over which proforma need to be completed, ERN to then circulate these to the appropriate people for completion and return.</p>	<p>DW/CL KAD/CL/ERN KAD CL/CD/DW/DM ERN ERN CD CL/ERN</p>
4	LBAP re-write	Before we can progress with the rewrite we need updated proforma, ERN to send out and then chase up afterwards to ensure return in time.	ERN
5	Any other business	ERN to remind members to return proforma in sufficient time to be dealt with prior to next meeting	
6	Date of next meeting	Next meeting is scheduled for 29 th April 10.30am in Pullar house, to include lunch. We will try to get internet access so proforma etc can be updated straight onto the system. ERN to make room etc booking	ERN