

Minutes of the Meeting of Lucky Ewe Trustees held on Monday, 31st October 2022 at Reivers Cottage, Cupar Muir at 19:00

Trustees present: Joan Brown (Chair), Alana Paterson-Brown, Jill Dawson (Treasurer), Libby Elliot and Mary Gibbon (Secretary)

Apologies: Claudia Marshall, Richard Young, Abby Doig, Anna Chworow

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

Item 1: Update: interns and Rural Skills course

Jen's monthly update reports that a number of interns have succeeded in moving on to college or returning to full-time school; interns are also receiving their Saltire Awards and one intern has a placement at Bowhill and another is now placed with Claireville Alpacas in Leven.

The Rural Skills course flyer with dates and venues has been completed and sent out to all relevant sources; we have eleven potential candidates and the first session will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at Bonnyton.

Item 2: Feedback on Stratheden visit by Steve Field, Reporter for Scottish Ministers

The visit to Stratheden was attended by all parties and proved an interesting and worthwhile exercise. It was noted that Lucky Ewe has been asked to provide further information on the lease we require.

Item 3: Success of fundraising activities:

We are raising additional sums with the sale of Lucky Ewe cheese and other items at Cupar Farmers Market and various fund-raising venues. Our Christmas Fair on 19th December and stall at Balgove Christmas Market should also attract considerable returns.

Item 4: Training Courses

Alyssa will book a First Aid refresher course for Colin.

Mary and Libby are booked to attend the *Volunteer Management* sessions run by the FVA and volunteers will be encouraged to attend the *Step into Volunteering* sessions also run by Fife Voluntary Action. These sessions will be repeated in 2023.

Item 5: Funding update:

- Fife Voluntary Action: Year 2 application form must be completed by November 3rd 2022. Joan, Jill and Mary will complete.
- The Robertson Trust end of year report must be sent off by 28th November. Mary and Joan will complete.
- Foundation Scotland - Apply 2023 for second Rural Skills course
- There will be a meeting of the Funding Committee on Monday, 6th December at 15:00. Jill agreed to book 19 Crossgate, Cupar for meeting.

Item 6: Lucky Ewe Volunteer Membership form

It was agreed that Mary will simplify the above form.

There was no other business and the meeting finished at 20:30

The next Trustee meeting will be on Monday, 28th November 2022 at 19 Crossgate, Cupar at 19:00.