

Minutes of the Meeting of Lucky Ewe Trustees held at Cupar Fire Station on Wednesday, 2nd April 2025 at 18:30

Trustees present: Joan Brown, (Chair), Alana Paterson-Brown, Jill Dawson, Carol de Klerk, Libby Elliot, Hazel Fletcher, Susan Usher and Mary Gibbon (Sec)

Apologies: Abby-Leigh Doig

Matters arising from the minutes of the trustee meeting held on Thursday, 13th February 2025

Charity trustee safeguarding training

The NSPCC Trustee Safeguarding online course consists of 4 modules with each module taking 20-30 minutes to complete, followed by a set of questions. The course is CPD certified and on successful completion, a certificate is provided.

Mary registered all trustees for this online course. Carol and Mary have completed the course and found it informative and worthwhile.

Yasmine Clarke is our new farm support worker. Yasmine has a 9-month contract which will be reviewed in December 2025.

The minutes were approved.

Item 1: Farm Update

Joan reported that work on fencing and the polytunnel is coming on apace. It was agreed that Yasmine would source a security camera and she and Hazel will investigate other necessary security measures. Pete Black of Collessie Feeds is beginning to harrow the fields and spring barley is due to be planted for harvest in May and July.

Alistair Ross of Scottish Water has requested a sketch showing the location of the mains, buildings and other infrastructure at Lucky Ewe. Joan and Hazel will comply.

Jill will order more trees from the Woodland Trust, and it was agreed that the laurel trees surrounding the mortuary building will be taken out.

High-health sheep, Lley and Poll Dorset, are being sourced. We hope to breed via Lacaune artificial insemination and eventually to produce our own superior Lucky Ewe breed.

Gillian, Libby and Winnie continue to provide varied and interesting intern placements

Item 2: Development Day and AGM

Invitations to the Development Day have been sent out and numbers have yet to be confirmed regarding visitors and speakers. RSVP is April 4th.

Susan offered to print out the Chair and Treasurer Reports for the AGM.

It was agreed to meet on Wednesday 23rd April to finalise all Development Day and AGM plans.

Item 3: Funding Update

Lucky Ewe has applied to various funders this week, including the Robertson Trust, Postcode Lottery, Moncur and St Andrews University. This is an ongoing exercise and all trustees continue to seek new funders.

Item 4: Trustee Roles

Trustees will provide a brief account of their roles: this will assist members who may wish to volunteer as trustees. Mary will circulate for the AGM.

Item 5: Policies Update

Mary and Caroline will update and send to Simon.

There was no other business, and the meeting finished at 18:30.

The next trustee meeting will be on **Wednesday 2nd July 2025**.