

1. Present

Adam Baker (AB), Hugh Brayne, Chair (HB), Andrew Chamberlain (AC), Cathy Lee (CL), Alison Mohr (AM), Clare Round (CR). (HB, CR departed 10am)

2. Previous minutes

26/03/25 Agreed

3. Matters arising

Notification large NLH grant EOI unsuccessful. AB read out response/reasons. However NLH are encouraging us to apply for standard grant up to £250k. A mixture of grants/funders and further community funding will be the way forward.

4. FOYTH

Discussion on 'membership' and definition of 'Friends'. Everyone that uses and/or donates time/money to YTH through any means is a 'Friend'. 'Membership' thought not to be appropriate in YTH setting.

Recognition can come in many ways; several ideas around donating and recognition – e.g.

- 'Wedding present list' type of approach where single items could be paid for by donation. Need final costings for every element of build and could then offer catalogue to community;
- Ledger of names of all donors to be written up and displayed when possible;
- 'Buy a brick' type of approach;
- Name and photo (if poss and if wanted) listed on MC website;
- Bespoke, quality pin badge (ready in time for Loweswater show); **Action CR CL**

Example statement for literature and promotional material 'Please donate in whatever way suits you – attend an event, join one of our many clubs, volunteer to help, make a regular or one-off donation'.

5. Funding strategy

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| Contact NHLG up to £250k as mentioned in EOI response | Action AB |
| AB, CL & AM (and Sarah M) to work on grant applications to other providers | Action AB CL AM |
| Engage services of Kate Parry to oversee/edit grant applications | Action AB CL |
| New community target to be defined | Action AB CL |
| 'Thermometer' type visual/apparatus to be designed/built for target amount | Action CL, RJ |
| Develop heritage projects with school and church | Action CL AB |
| Timing of planning application | Action CL AB |
| Grand auction – fundraiser Sat 22 Nov | Action YTHMC |

6. Loweswater show

- 2 x gazebos, 3m frontage
- Display materials: full drawings and visuals, 'thermometer' target, bullet points of description of redevelopment (key priorities), indicative timescales
- Trustees and Friends on hand to promote and answer questions
- Pin badges on sale
- Engender support for planning application, sign-up 'Friends' with email address
- (post show - send planning portal link to all Friends)

[HB & CR leave meeting 10.00, AB as Chair]

7. Future FOYTH

AC is leaving the group. As grant funding will be undertaken by CL, AB & AM and events are organised by YTHMC (with kind assistance from a number of volunteers), it was decided that FOYTH in its current format should cease with only grant funding meetings taking place in future.

[HB & CR subsequently approved this decision reached in their absence]

AB thanked HB, AC and CR for their contribution and commitment to FOYTH – all said would continue to help with events.

8. AOB

Meeting minutes to be circulated to YTHMC to accept FOYTH recommendations.

Meeting closed 10.30am