

Steinmeyer Legacy Interim Committee
White Church (following public meeting)
24 October 2017
Minutes

1. **Attending:** Murray Lauchlan, Judy McDowall, Colin Sears, Hugh Rose, Neill Aitken, Lynne Douglas, Agnes Drysdale, Ken Heiser, Mairi Philp, Joan Carmichael, Jane Reid Gordon McCartney, Joyce Carnegie, John King, Andrew Reid

Apologies: Leigh Doy, Stephanie Cameron, Sandra Bacon, Liz Kemp

2. Final Proposals and format

St Kessogs Square - In response to comment about the amount of money available in the village fund and held by the Bumblebee Square group, Gordon McCartney noted that the amount was around £20,000. He said the original plan was for a small hut at the rear area, but there was merit a larger space for older people. Transport - Agnes Drysdale reported that a someone attending the public meeting had voiced her concern at the absence of the proposal for the purchase of passenger trikes. Neill Aitken expressed surprise as he had explained the background to her before the meeting, and undertook to further communicate with her. The Transport Group had not dropped the proposal, but contact had already been made with the Scottish Government, which would not fund the £6,000 cost. The proposal was still being investigated, with issues to be addressed including the administration that would be required and the backup support, including finance. Joyce Carnegie said that CDT had previously purchased a front and back seat cycle type, and that Andrew Thompson would have the details. Andrew Reid said that there was an outstanding need to confirm what should be written on the proposals voting form about this. Others suggested that the voting form should refer to special transport availability and “cycling without age” - the project dealing with this kind of development elsewhere.

Funding Options - Lynne Douglas asked that the questions about spending and investing the funds be shifted from underneath the detailed proposals to above those proposals. Andrew Reid responded that the number supporting an investment strategy and use of annual interest had been relatively very small in the community survey, and it was more appropriate to consider the spending/investment balance after working through the details of the development proposals. The Interim Committee voted on this issue and a clear majority were in favour of leaving the funding option questions below the detailed text on all specific proposals.

General Points - Agnes Drysdale questioned how far forward voting in the way proposed was going to take the process of decision-making, Murray Lauchlan said that it had not been possible or appropriate for the Interim Committee working groups to fully cost proposals, and that he believed the votes would provide village views to direct decision-making, including the proposals to be pursued, with costings established. Hugh Rose raised issues about the validity of the exercise in the absence of costings, and that people would not know what they were voting for. Others felt the voting results would provide the terms for the Legacy Committee to carry out its work on costings and what could be afforded and delivered. Joan Carmichael said that she felt every village group should be given between £1,000 and £2,000.

Personal Details - Andrew Reid reported that people completing the proposals voting form will be asked for their name, and address to ensure they are local residents and eligible to vote, and also for their age, to provide information about what proposals are supported by different age groups.

3. Letter accompanying proposals

It was noted that a letter would be included with the voting forms from Murray Lauchlan providing background information concerning the legacy and information about the voting arrangements.

4. Legacy Committee nominations

Murray Lauchlan said that there had only been a small number of nominations and proposed a postponement of the deadline until Monday 30 October, and this was agreed. It was noted that a Strathearn Herald article about nominations was likely to appear on 26 October, alongside local poster and social media promotion. Joan Carmichael said that Interim Committee Members should be informed when membership of the Legacy Committee was finalised.

5. Papers collation, collection and delivery arrangements

Murray Lauchlan noted the need for boxes for the voting forms to be deposited at the collection points. Andrew Reid said that some minor revisions would be required to the explanatory leaflet made available to those attending the public meeting, and suggested that a large number of the leaflets should be made available locally to be picked up and taken away by those interested to find out more information about the legacy proposals. He also said that he would draw up a list of people to deliver to parts of the village and surrounding areas and arrange for the letter and voting papers to be printed and then provided to all of the deliverers. Lynne Douglas supported the delivery of two voting forms to each household. This was all agreed.

6. Voting Count

It was agreed that the Interim Committee should meet on Tuesday 14 November, the day after the voting deadline, to begin the process of vote counting.

Steinmeyer Legacy - Community Choices of Funding Proposals and Legacy Committee Elections		
OCTOBER		
Tuesday	24	Public meeting White Church – promote cmtee nomination – discuss proposals list Short Interim Committee meeting to confirm form and arrangements for proposals voting and committee elections and for village distribution of papers
Monday	30	Close of Legacy Committee nominations
Monday-Thurs	30Oct-2 Nov	Printing of funding proposals voting paper (two for every household) and election ballot forms and collation with proposals paper for delivery Prepare and print posters about return deadline for proposals and election votes
NOVEMBER		
Friday-Monday	3 - 6	Delivery of proposal voting paper and election ballot form (volunteers needed)
Monday	6	Posters around the village and social media about voting returns
Thursday	9	Strathearn Herald article (if published)
Monday	13	Deadline for return of all proposals voting papers and election ballot forms
Tuesday	14	Counts of ballot and voting papers (volunteers needed)
Monday	20	Elected Legacy Committee – first meeting