

**DEESIDE COMMUNITY TRANSPORT GROUP**  
**MINUTES OF Meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 7.15pm**  
**Held at MDCT office, The Victory Hall, Aboyne**

**Present:** Gail Amey, Mike Johnston, Lynn Mackie, Brian Patterson, Simon Blake, Bill Braid, & Fiona Mallett.

**Apologies:** Bert Bruce, Catriona Mackay, Bill Beverley, Diane Smith

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Minutes of the meeting 8<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were read and passed by Gail Amey and seconded by Lynn Mackie.

**Matters Arising:**

**Permits:** Both Section 19 and 22 permits have been received and approved, which was a consequence of the change to our company name.

**Re-branding:** GC confirmed that the depreciation on the BU12 SBX community bus was complete as of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018. We will now go out for quotes for a new bus for the Hopper. When we have dates we will commence the rebrand on the buses. The bus livery will be changed when we purchase the new Hopper as the costs will be  $\pm$ £1k per bus. We can change the livery of one community bus to start with, which will be the BX64 GH0 14 seater.

**Aboyne Hospital & Medical Service:** The service has been well received and we are now getting requests from Ballater, Banchory, Social Services and NHS specialists for Dementia trials. To date we have had 27 requests for the service and we have been able to fulfil 21 requests. We could not get drivers for 5 of the requests we did have transport, 1 cancellation was due to no buses available and 1 passenger cancelled at the last minute. We trained 5 drivers for this service but only two are able to commit every week, one can only use their car as they are waiting on their D1 being renewed, another is so limited with the time they can give it never seems to fit in with our requests and the last person is not able to drive due to unforeseen personal circumstances. We put an advert in the Deeside Piper requesting volunteers for this service and one person has come forward. The project has received £64 in donations and we have £742.54 funds left in the project. We are still awaiting the outcome of our application for a grant to NHS Endowment for £2,866.00. A decision will be made June 9th when they discuss transport grants.

**Correspondence:** None

**Fundraising:**

Bank Account: - £80,443.14 (£38k New Bus Fund, £41k Transport, £705k Aboyne Hospital Fund)

Hopper donation tin collected: Jan - £133.20, Feb - £112.90, March - £116.47, April – £103.90

The Co-op backpack is to be aligned with Xmas tree sale again. It was proposed that just a raffle may be a preferred approach rather than a bag pack as well.

Games Day – although the trust will not be attending the games this year we will put the bus and a new banner in a prominent place to highlight the community transport. Action: Gail to get approval from The Victory Hall.

**A.O.B:**

The volunteers were asked for ideas for their day out.

**Date for Next Meeting: 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018**

**Minutes Approved by:**

**Chairperson**

**Secretary**