# Minutes FAB

# Time and Date: Wednesday 8th November, 2017 @ 19.30hrs

# Venue: Cupar Community Fire Station

# Present: Sarah Davidson; Rob Brydon; Jill Dawson; Jim McLeish; Norma Alari; Joan Brown; Joy Rice; Bryan Rollo; Debbie Payjack; Giles Christian & Louise

# Apologies: Lindy McLean

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|  | **Action** |
| 1. **Minutes from previous meeting approved by Bryan and Joy**   **Correction from last meeting – Christmas Fayre date is 25th November** |  |
| 2 Scything –  Forthcoming event on Saturday 11th November 08.30 at Orchard Walk. Rob will lead. | **Rob** |
| 3 Apple Pressing – A pilot  This took place at Sarah and Norma’s house on Monday 6th November. Many thanks to Dr Will Whitefield (Tayport Plant) who took us through pulping, juicing, pastuerising and ‘bottling’.  Rob will take orders for juice. Suggested donation £5.  Next year we may try another venue eg Westfield Nurture Centre.  4 Elmwood Fruit Cage  The next work day will be 3rd December 10.00 – the path will be moved and general tidying and pruning.  Other dates are - 13th January and 18th February 2018.  5.Format of future meetings  There will be no meeting in December.  It was decided to share the ‘chair’, ie the person who takes the minutes will chair the next meeting. Norma (minutes 8/11/17) will chair January meeting and issue agenda. Rob has volunteered February.  6. Moor Road  Joan made us aware of forthcoming remedial works in December.  7. Apple Storage  It is still not known if Cupar foodbank will or could store excess apples.  To that end the group discussed alternatives – Louise, Rob and Sarah have offered space. Age Concern and the Lighthouse Cafe to be approached re using apples.  8 Westfield Nurture Centre  Sarah gave feedback of FAB’s participation in setting up a herb and soft fruit garden. £81.91 of FAB money has bought blueberry bushes; rhubarb; goosberry and currant bushes. £47.18 was spent on organic seeds as agreed at previous meeting.  Sarah has processed a grant application from Action Earth on behalf of Westfield Nursery.  The next work days are 22nd November 11.00 and 8th December 11.00.  General Chat  Rob has bought on FAB’s behalf 3 plum trees from Andrew Lear for the orchard total £54.  Bell Baxter have an eco-group.  How to spend FAB money will be on January agenda.  Do we need feedback from past recipients of fruit trees?  9 Wassailing 27th January 2018  Tasks shared are:-  Fiddler – Giles  Rob – guitar  Accordian – Joan  Drummer – Sarah  Requirements will be:-  Glass jars/candle/lighters;  table covers and tables  cups  wassail song with a new verse  toast/cards/pens/string and juice for the trees.  AOB  Joan as Chair of Sustainable Cupar appraised the group of a forthcoming meeting on 23rd November and Police Scotland concerning felling of trees at Owlet Wood.  2018 calendar- sales have gone very well and thoughts are already afoot for another one next year.  Next meeting 10th January 2018 7.30pm at Cupar Community Fire Station. | **Rob**  **Norma**  **Joy**  **Rob**  **Joan**  **Giles**  **Sarah**  **Jill**  **Giles**  **Joan**  **Sarah**  **Rob**  **Louise**  **Debbie** |

**Signed: I S Davidson................................................ Date: 12/11/2017...........................**

**Group Coordinator**