

FriockHub

Friockheim Community Hub Ltd



An Angus Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Project

- Started in 2012
- Initially driven by Friockheim & District Community Council
- Now at Stage 2 Lottery Application (Growing Community Assets)
- Target for completion and opening 2016 - 2018

Funding

(figures are indicative)

- Feasibility Study 2012-13
- Development Funding 2014-15
- Growing Community Assets - Bidding at present

	Awards4All	Angus Council And Fundraising
Feasibility	10,000	3,500
Development	42,000	10,000
G.C.Assets	1 million +	350,000

Stage 1 – Identifying and Establishing the Project

- Community Meetings
- Stakeholders Meetings
- Asset Holder Meetings
- Project Group Established
- Agree Next Step



Stage 2 – Feasibility Study

- Identify Remit
- Secure Funding
- Commission Delivery
- Evaluate Results
- Agree Next Step



Stage 3 – Development Phase

- Identify Options (Scope & Purpose)
- Establish Governance (Charity?)
- Apply for funding
- Final CAT Application
- Manage Delivery of phase elements – e.g. Design, Business Plan, Community Consultation, Options Appraisal, Capital Plan, etc.
- Confirm Continuation?



FriockHub now at this stage

CONSIDERATIONS !!!

- No turning back
- Carefully and realistically evaluate options
- Accept community expectations but be realistic and practical
- Don't be driven by funding offers / issues
- Accepting legacy issues – e.g. management, employing staff, funding, building ownership, delivering objectives, legal obligations, etc.
- Access, use and listen to professional advice
- Understand there are now implications – e.g. 1: If continuing – legacy issues, etc.
If project abandoned - closing company, charity, funding balances, etc.

Stage 4 – Establish Project (May involve capital works)

- Confirm Funding Streams
- Conclude CAT
- Undertake Capital Works
- Employ Staff
- Confirm Governance



Open Project

- Commence and Continue Delivery
- Promote Project
- Manage Property, Staffing and Finance
- Monitor, evaluate and report
- Accept Governance implications (exit strategy)

Some Tips we have learned

- Take the community with you on the journey by regular action e.g. meetings, social media, newsletters, fundraising, P.R., access point, etc.
- Use elected members, MSPs, MPs etc. for support and advice
- Use professionals
- Keep funders informed and aware
- Accept objections and try to reconcile if possible
- Be prepared to listen, and if needed adjust
- Be prepared for issues and 'left field'
- Don't lie awake at night worrying about your project!!

Thank you

Questions

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