Food and Growing Group report - Admin meeting November

Next meeting of F&G group is Nov 9th.

**Local Larder**

There's been a review meeting - Martin can update on progress from that.

**Seed Saving**

Seed Swap Group has met, and planned repeat of last year's process... GQT, markets and Potato day

Email sent out to encourage participation - for additional seed champions and volunteers interested in helping pack seeds (January)

**Grow North**

Final 2017 workshop held Oct 14, v successful. (November workshop cancelled - planned facilitators pulled out, unsuccessful attempts to find substitute)

Attendance and costsing for the year (so far - end of year celebration in Dec.) :

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In addition to this : Co-op funding of £500 received, and at least £480 from other Co-op scheme still to come. (Celebration Day 25 Nov, when funds are divided in this scheme.)

Survey monkey sent out to determine level of interest/support for a Grow North 2018.

**Apple Press**

Anne coordinated bookings this year - stepping in when Bob had to deal with family emergency. Thanks go to her.

V busy at all markets, litres of juice produced in total : 227.5

| N Kessock (Sept) | 36.5 |
| BIG             | 30   |
| Cromarty        | 35   |
| Culbokie        | 61.5 |
| N Kessock (Oct) | 64.5 |

'Staffing' of the apple press process was more of an issue this year...Peter T on his own at Cromarty, and it would have been an issue at NK (Oct) if Brendan hadn't fortuitously been there.

Maintenance : we've already identified the trailer needs a service (Macgregors on the Longman can do this), but the Press itself also needs some repairing, the Press 'cage' being now out of alignment.

Julie