

**Trust Board Meeting  
Development Officer Report  
Wednesday 27th of July 2022**

**Development Officer Work Plan for August**

Total days available in the coming month – 17

<b>Task</b>	<b>No. of days allocated</b>
Maceration Plant research and development	5
Camanachd Square Study (meetings and consultation)	2
Camanachd Square Boundary research (King George purchase)	1
Toilets (admin, operating errors, holiday cover arrangements)	1
Bayfield Phase 3 development Discussions	1
Board meeting minutes, reports and arrangements	1
Project Officer (AM)- training and supervision	1
Bayfield Admin (signage, water charges, non-domestic rates)	1
Membership administration	1
Skye Community Response (distribution of funds arrangements)	1
Coastal Communities Fund Webinar and outline plan	1
Health Service Meeting and project officer claim	1/2
Advertising board sales	1/2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>

<b>Active Awards</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Place Based inv. (comm centre) (not October) 2022	£38,000	end September
The Pebble Trust (allotments)	£9924.92	end October 2022

Bord na Gaidhlig / CLS (Speak up. Gaelic)	Cerca £10,000	end October 2022
Coastal Communities (Camanachd Square)	£35,000	end Nov 2022
HIE / NES / NHS (health services)	£20,981	end January 2023
Scottish Land Fund (allotments)	£21,810	end March 23
Silverhill Trust (playparks)	£20,000	no deadline

## Project Updates

### Treasurers Report

Current totals:

Trust £12,779.57

Info boards / Advertising - £2354.54

Toilets - **-£510.13**

Bayfield £7199.38

Paths - £483.60

FEI Land Purchase - £975.84

Events - £11,281.89

Playparks - £19,233.20

Allotments - £8,948.45

Helipad - £5390.92

Skye Community Response - £39,548.07

Coastal Communities (Camanachd Square) - £3488.72

Speak up for Gaelic - £5,184.54

Health Services - £5526.78 (including wages)

**Total £130.698.76**

### Bayfield Group

- Electricity has been installed to the new payment system at the waste disposal unit. The public are charged £3 to use the facility. The facility offers disposal of black water waste and has a water supply (not drinking water). In the first full month £180 was generated. All set up costs were covered by grants. Ongoing costs include the cost of the card payment provider which is approx. £10 per month + 2.95% transaction fee.
- Investigations into water charges ongoing. We have been offered a 50% discount of a metered supply, but research suggested we should be charged a fixed cost instead.
- Discussion re: exception to pay rates for the Squash court site ongoing.
- Signage has been ordered. FT to chase.

- The Highland Council confirmed the amount due to the trust for the year 2021/22 is £8195.95 but when the accountants reviewed the workings, they suggested the amount should be £11,499.62. FT is now discussing this with THC.
- Further discussions have taken place with Kevin Clifton, Asset Planner for Scottish water about the potential for PBCT to take ownership and develop the Scottish Water Maceration Plant at Bayfield in Portree. Gavin Steel, Corporate Affairs manager has been brought into discussions also and has agreed to take proposal to colleagues for further discussion.

### **Harbour Group**

- Garry Smith from THC reported that the portal for submission of the LUF bid only opened on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July and that the process was delayed for some reason. The closing date for submissions is now 2<sup>ND</sup> August. THC have had a meeting to go over the final submission with a view of submitting by Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- PBCT have requested if they can see a copy of the bid.

### **Speak Up for Gaelic**

- Speak up for Gaelic still delivering two regular sessions weekly however some sessions have had to be cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Funding in place until end of October.

### **Strategic Plan**

- Questionnaires to board members and volunteers are being compiled.
- Completion date for the full strategic plan of approx. July this year.

### **Allotments**

- All plots are now full again after a few individuals changing their minds.
- Project officer, Alec Mcleod, has been appointed. Alec's background is primarily in communications and engagement. Alec previously worked for Highlife Highland at the Fingal centre Library and continues to work managing communications for NHS projects. Induction is underway.
- Lots of progress by committee who are busy developing the site and addressing a range of issues re: storage, drainage, access, etc.
- Recent purchases include a shed for £1700 from Joe's Shed.
- The group would like to secure funding for a Keder Greenhouse approx £10k. (tbc)
- Land purchase still be finalised. Solicitors are progressing.

## Helipad

- No updates

## Toilets

- New payment machines were installed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May. For the period 1<sup>st</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May :  
Cubicle A (Mens) had 246 uses @ 50p per use = £120  
Cubicle B (disabled) had 158 uses @ 50p per use = £79
- Signage has been ordered.
- Still experiencing some issues with cards not being accepted. One request via email for a refund and one in person request. Could be more that we are unaware of. Fiona to investigate.
- Cleaners are on holiday from 25<sup>th</sup> July – 5<sup>th</sup> August . Stand in's to be found.

## Community Centre

- Hall has been used by NHS successfully for vaccination clinics.
- The renovations in the small hall are progressing well. Estimated completion date is mid-July.
- Negotiations still underway with SEALL regarding their lease.
- Committee are experiencing some issues re: renewing the lease with the HC over the land and are working to resolve these.

## Camanachd Square

- Funds have been drawn down from the Coastal communities' fund to pay consultants for the stage 1 study.
- HIE and THC representatives have joined the working group.
- Provisional date of Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> of July and Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> of July pinned down for public consultation.
- Working group meeting arranged for Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> of July.
- Donald MacSween is planning to start the mapping work this month. Some time is needed to discuss and review research to date with Donald.

## Health Services

Update from Sophie Isaacson, Project Officer for Health Services below:

*Sir Lewis Ritchie visited Skye at the end of May 2022.*

The meeting was well attended, and a range of reports were delivered spanning the different elements of the SLR Report, The most notable being NHSH announcing that they

were closing urgent care due to staff shortages and problems with retention and staff sickness. I asked some further questions to NESH about their plans going forward for Urgent Care and received the following statement back earlier this week

*Could we please have a written update on future plans for Urgent Care in Portree?*

We are currently recruiting and training Advanced Practitioners (APs). At this time we have 3 fully qualified APs, another fully qualified AP just appointed who will need a few months of induction and orientation, 4 APs in training (various anticipated completion dates for training between 6 and 24 months) and 2 further posts in the advert/recruitment phase. During this training period we will provide 24/7 cover from Broadford Hospital or locally based clinicians. Whilst this system is in operation we will collect data on presentations and review the clinical outcomes to ensure robust governance.

*Feature and Empower film project*

The first in a series of films has been launched. An interview with Donna Jack at Portree Hospital. This video 3,450 views so far . We plan to release the next video in 2 weeks time which is an interview with Rachael Jackson, Scottish Ambulance Service. Link attached.

*Leaflet - Mental Health & Wellness*

Over the past two weeks I have been pulling together a mental health & wellness leaflet packed with information from local groups, the local GP team and all sorts of opportunities to help people who are struggling with their mental health. I'm planning to send this leaflet off to the printers at the end of next week and to distribute it through the summer months around Skye. This is something which began as a small-scale project with the lifepaths counselling team and local GPs but has had a lot of interest from all sorts of groups.

*Community Health & Care Forum*

The next Community Health and Care forum meeting is tomorrow (23rd June) and our agenda is packed. We will be discussing Sir Lewis Ritchie's visit, his statement (attached) the new Staffin Health Care Centre and we'll hear updates from the Centre of Excellence and Skyelab teams as well as some information from Skye & Lochalsh Housing Association. Notes from the meetings can be found on the health & Wellness Website.

### **Skye Community Response**

- It has been agreed that Fiona, Iona and Sophie will work together to help establish a new emergency response group for Skye which the funds will then be handed over to. There has been no progress with this to date, however.

### **Advertising**

- One board is now available, and one is being reserved for Speak up for Gaelic / community news.

- Fiona is still liaising with advertisers who are requesting changes.

### **Outdoor Activity Group**

- The Matheson Place Playpark group helped along with other local groups to manage the 7 bouncy castles at the local Jubilee Jamboree organised by LUP. They had 29 volunteers raising £325.
- Skye Half Marathon 11th June - £1,750 was raised from funrun sponsorships. Tiffany bought certificates and winner medals to congratulate them.
- 10 Marshall were supplied for the Half Marathon and £800 from Skye Events. £93 was raised via the cake stand and with our raffle and Squares sales they gave out 12 amazing prizes from 11 businesses in Skye that netted a further £2,105+ £35.73 in donations on the day - the event and the raffle prizes totalled £4,785.73. Well done to Graham for helping to coordinate half Marathon volunteers.
- The grand total is now £29,894.07
- An additional £20k has been pledged by the Silverhill Trust which they will receive once they have secured the rest of the funding.
- The park will cost £110k to build

### **Community Events Group**

#### Jubilee Weekend events

- Both very successful, well attended and appreciated by local residents and visitors.
- Both events were free to enter so we knew that we would be running them at a loss. Total cost to Light Up for both events was £1097.94. We think it is important to do a couple of free events for families to be as inclusive as possible if we can.
- We have to spend the coop money on community projects this year, so it was never about the money on this occasion.
- We received some great media coverage. Reporting Scotland, BBC Alba and a write up in the Free press.
- Couple of issues around set up and take down for events as we did not have enough help to dismantle on the Saturday.
- Lorna working on a plan with Football club to address that, but also we will be contracting the community groups to provide one person from each group to stay to take down at future events.
- Next big event will be the Autumn Fling September 24th

### **Foodshare**

Chair of the Skye and Lochalsh Foodbank came to Fiona's office to see her. The Foodbank would like to work with the trust to set up a food share again for Portree and Braes. Fiona explained that this could only be taken forward if one of the existing groups were willing / interested in progressing it. No further discussion has taken place.