

Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – Tuesday 13 June 2023 at 7pm at Jans Boardroom and ZOOM.

	Item	Minutes	Action Points
1	Welcome, Introductions Apologies	<p>Present: Calum Matheson (Chair), Lorna Cormack (Secretary), Duncan Brown (Treasurer), W Edgar (Trustee) Irene Deplano (Trustee), Neil Campbell (Trustee), Ross Cowie (Trustee), Graham Smith (Trustee), Peter Urquhart (Trustee), Tiffany Maberley (Trustee, via ZOOM)</p> <p>In Attendance: Fiona Thomson (Development Officer), Iona MacDonald (Finance and Administration Officer)</p> <p>Apologies: John Boyd (Trustee), Annmarie Campbell (Trustee)</p>	
2	Adoption of Minutes	Approved: Lorna Cormack Seconded: Irene Deplano	
3	Check in / good news stories / updates etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Centre has been granted a Public Entertainment Licence 	
4	Volunteer / Employee headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiona, Alec and Iona working well as a team. 	

6	Development Officer Report	<p>FT provided an overview of the Development Officer Report. The treasurer's report has been detailed in the DO report. The following points were raised:</p> <p>3 projects are now outwith their due dates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speak up for Gaelic has been granted an extension to use funding • Reimagining Camanachd Square – in final reporting • SLF Officer – extension granted <p>Account Balances and outstanding items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officer claims to be made. • Bayfield claims outstanding. HC have apologised. It was suggested that in future, invoices may show a charge for interest if payment is outstanding. [Redacted] • Bayfield maintenance not being carried out. No response to reminders <p>Projects moving steadily.</p> <p>Workplan Completions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bayfield actions • Community Centre, • Skye Community Response • Community Engagement • AGM • Playparks (awaiting H&S sign-off and insurance) <p>To complete:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playpark funding • Project Officer claims • KGV – Stage 2 by August 16th. FEI agreement? • Maintenance of facilities and websites <p>FT's workplan for next month was approved.</p>	<p>Include in formal discussion next month</p> <p>Progress Claims/applications</p>
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7	Issue List	<p><i>Skate Ramps</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not being used as intended and high insurance premium (£2000 pa) • Board would prefer to rehome, eg primary school • Possible sponsorship solution using advertising boards at ramp park? • Consider permanent contouring rather than equipment (reduces insurance premium significantly) • May be able to call on assistance from Chris James <p><i>Camalachd Square Car Park</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Intention is for Trust to take ownership <p><i>Glen Uillinish Windfarm</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PBCT limited in its capacity to negotiate with windfarms – consider a Skye-wide group to deal with them, with representation from each community trust to maximise benefits • Ross Cowie proposed that if Faye MacLeod was willing, that she be asked to represent PBCT. Ross and Fiona to speak with Faye in the first instance. • There was some discussion around why Skye should be such a desirable area for windfarm development, given its high scenic value and that perhaps the developers should concentrate their efforts in less scenic areas, e.g. M8 corridor. • Harbour Clean-up – stalled, though it was noted that the old fishing boat had now been dismantled and removed. • Bayfield Woodland – path strimming tomorrow. Funding for outdoor learning may not be available in the future. Note that Corrie Capers (Broadford) has a summer programme. <p><i>Allotments</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permission sought from Trust to site polycrubs on far side. Have planted willow but this would add to windbreak. Permission granted. 	<p>Discuss with CJ</p> <p>Ross & Fiona to meet with Faye.</p>
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8	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PCCA – some groups requesting reduction in fees. No room for further reductions. All groups are treated equally. Newfoundland village twinning – Trust has a lot of projects on the go at present but put on back burner. Cuddy’s Point – a number of accidents and several fatalities have occurred at this spot over the years due to steepness of the slope. Consider a viewing platform. Note this is likely on FEI land. Toilets – making good money, but in need of power washing. 	<p>Request quotation for installation of viewing platform</p> <p>PU will ask lifeboat squad to do this.</p>
9.	DONM	Tuesday 11 July at 10am	FT to book room.
10.	Close	Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.	