**PORTREE & BRAES COMMUNITY TRUSY (SCIO)**

**TRUSTEE’S BOARD MEETING**

7pm Wednesday 8th November 2017

Jans, Industrial Estate, Portree

**Attendance:** Roger Liley (RL), Myra MacLeod (MM), Duncan Brown (DB), Dorothy Ann Urquhart (DAU), Calum Matheson (CM), Donnie Nicolson (DN), Bill Edgar (BE), Ross Cowie (RC)

Also in attendance Thomas Wilson (TW)

**Apologies:** Ronald MacDonald, Irene Deplano, Neil Campbell, Chris James

**Welcome/Minutes:** DN welcomed all to the meeting. Minutes proposed by CM, seconded DB.

**Treasurer’s Report:** [ ] Financial position discussed.

**HIE/Project Officer:** [ ] hoping to have positive news by beginning of December.

**FEI:** Independent consultants have been appointed who will commence consultation with stakeholders mid-November, followed by public consultation in January.

[ ] attended meeting to obtain info on this consultation, which he will pass to shareholders in common grazings.

**HARBOUR:** Stakeholders meeting had to be postponed due to committee/stakeholders not being able to attend. Re-scheduled for Tuesday 12th December at 7pm at Jans.

A public consultation will thereafter take place.

**OUTDOOR ACTIVITY GROUP:** Are continuing to raise funds, £422 from Scorrybreac restaurant collaboration, sum due in from Rotary and they have made application to LEADER.

**Bayfield:** Possibility of tennis court area being taken over and taking this up to parking standards for eg RV parking, [ ]. To be put to squash club membership, there are also implications of FEI ground not coming into community ownership. At moment all is at discussion phase.

Benches have been ordered for Bayfield and Martin Crescent.

[ ] have met up with water board who are apparently willing to long term lease area of ground adjacent to Rembrant, where there could be facilities for camper van disposal of waste/green water with top up water facilities. Some campsites charge £5 per time for this facility.

[ ] had contacted Rabbies re their Community fund; an offer of funding towards Bayfield project has been made.

**AOCB:**

**Tourism:** [ ] attended event hosted by MSP Forbes. Main guest Fiona Hyslop, culture secretary. Task force being set up to pull together groups represented at event (community councils, trusts, councillors etc.), toilets and parking to be given priority.

Some present at that meeting questioned what had moved on since 1st meeting.

**Braes Gates:** [ ] has visited site and gate has been discarded with fence rotting. He is to check to see if gates had been installed when woodland had been planted and may not now be required.

**Helipad Handover:** Will take place on Saturday 18th November at 2.30pm. { ] requests [ ] prepare press release

**Newsletter:** Ongoing

**Toilets:** Contract due to finish end of month. [ ] requested [ ] contact ward manager to arrange meeting. [ ] are willing to form a group to address lack of facilities. [ ] questioned who can access £3 million govt funding.

**Business Plan:** Business Plan update due now. Yearly update due in May.

**Fundraising:** Curry night proposed for February. To be followed up next meeting.

**Community Consultation Day:** Will be due next year, possible to combine, harbour, FEI consultations into one event.

**Bayfield Steps:** [ ] mentioned repairs not carried out. Robertsons had phoned [ ] yesterday regarding delay.

**Thanks:** [ ] who has written letter resigning from the Trust as of 29th November 2017 was thanked by DN for the amount of time and effort he has put into all Trust aspects especially the setting up of the Business Plan and the pier toilets project, his contribution to the Trust was appreciated by all.

**DONM:** 7pm Wed 6th December Jans