**Portree and Braes Community Trust (SCIO)**

**Minutes of Trustee’s Board Meeting**

Wed 13th June 2018 7pm @ Jans

**Present:** Irene Deplano (ID), Janice McGuire (JM), Donnie Nicolson (DN), Dorothy Urquhart (DU), Ross Cowie (RC), Neil Campbell (NC), Duncan Brown (DB), Chris James (CJ), Graham Smith (GS), Myra MacLeod (MM), Thomas Wilson (TW)

**Also Present:** Fiona Thomson

**Apologies:** Bill Edgar, Calum Matheson

**Welcome:** DN welcomed all and introduced FT our new development officer who commenced working with us on Monday 11th June.

FT then gave a brief overview of work she has been involved in and keenness to catch up with and progress projects on behalf of the Trust.

**Minutes:** [ ] Ali Martin assisted helipad grass cutting.

Minutes approved [ ]. Seconded [ ]

**FEI:**  Draft FEI feasibility report received. Trustee expressed concern over quality of the report in places where gossip was quoted as fact. Bayfield appears straightforward. Discussion on Sulishader and Shinty sections of report. Disappointment that since commencement of report Skye Gathering have withdrawn offer of central arena, this was over concerns that future planned use would damage arena.

Ground boundaries in respect of KGV are also in dispute.

**Treasurer’s Report:** [ ]

CJ had received a cheque from Half Marathon Committee on behalf of Trust

Bag Pack to take place on Saturday 16 June

**Outdoor Activity Group:** Still awaiting the LEADER funding grant letter after which they can order ramp equipment.

**Bayfield:** Youngsters had tried to set one of new benches on fire. Extinguished by staff of LSHA office. Bayfield group had held meeting and although some felt we should be keeping more of an eye on the area it was felt that we don’t have enough members to ‘police’ the area. [ ]

Bayfield group met with tennis/squash court owners and they want to move quickly on transfer of ground, initially willing to lease with view to Trust buying ground. [ ]

The tennis courts have been identified as suitable space for 12-15 camper vans. [ ] is currently looking to get ground released from a Burden.

Skye Connect have identified Portree as an area which would be in line for funds towards camper van improvements.

**Harbour:** Business Plan is being pulled together. A visit to Tobermoray Harbour Authority will take place end of month.

AOCB:

* **Community Centre.** Following EGM, new committee was formed with 11 members, Only 2 original members are John Gordon and Jyrena Batters. Committee Thomas Wilson Chair, Lorna Cormack, Elgar Finlay, Rachel Stephenson, Alasdair Wilson, Marlene MacDonald, Iain Langlands, Roger Liley +1
* They have set up an interim committee to run for 6 months. The building needs a lot of work however they initially are looking to get it open for agricultural show.
* FEI & HC have ownership of ground on which it stands. [ ] has approached HC re asset transfer.
* Trust can advertise work party if required.
* **Ross’s Trans Trust Tour** (will go with proper name once it’s decided on). Due to take place on Saturday 8th September. He’ll give update at next meeting.
* [ ]
* **Braes Hall:** It is leased from HC on 25 year lease. HC won’t take responsibility for roof repairs etc. as under lease this is responsibility of lessee. [ ] agrees that HC would maintain adjoining house but not hall. [ ] suggested to [ ] that Braes Hall Committee can form a sub group of Trust to address issues concerns etc.
* **War memorial.** Is in a filthy state. [ ] says HC have budget for war memorial.
* Letter to be sent to HC
* **Health Services.** Re ongoing NHSSOS, Committee have had their 1st meeting with David Noble today
* **DONM** - Wed 18th July 7pm @ Jans