

Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – 16/1/25 at 1000 at Portree Community Centre Small Hall

	Item	Minutes	Action Points
1	Welcome, Introductions Apologies	Present: Trustees – Calum Matheson (Chair); Peter Urquhart (Vice-chair); Duncan Brown (Treasurer); Neil Campbell; Graham Smith; Associate: Campbell Grant Staff: Iona MacDonald, Development Officer; Luke Slater, Finance & Administration. Apologies: Trustees – Annemarie Campbell; Lorna Cormack (Secretary); John Boyd; Irene Deplano; Tiffany Maberley; Pamela Simmister; Associate: Chris MacDonald	
2	Adoption of Minutes	Approved: Duncan Brown Seconded: Peter Urquhart	APPROVED
3	[Agenda Items]		
4	Check in / good news stories / updates etc	Work on Skye event at Community Centre went ahead and was successful, IM made an appearance on BBC Alba and Radio nan Gàidheal. PBCT were mentioned on several occasions. Work on Skye website launched. £1893.75 donated from SkyeLabs CIC dissolution to be allocated to Trust Unrestricted Funds.	
5	Volunteer / Employee headlines		

6	Development Officer Report	IM gave report on ongoing projects and applications. Board members approved development officers workplan and were happy with the progress.	IM to send invoice to PCCC for John and Janice salary
7	Issue List	<p>1. Pier toilets – Debt collection letter received for outstanding electricity bill amount. This was returned to THC with view that PBCT will pay bill but remove the toilets from the pier. Response received from THC that debt no longer requires payment, however PBCT must keep the toilets unlocked, cleaned and restocked throughout the day on liners are in. This is unacceptable as the cost of doing so is greater than the original electricity bill. IM to respond.</p> <p>2. KGV Title – information received from Macleod and MacCallum that FEI solicitor is pursuing voluntary registration and covering the fees internally. Potential for Project Officer salary funding exhausting should the land purchase run on.</p> <p>3. Acquisition of old Swimming Pool land – THC to gift land free of charge, on the provision that they can use the land for a year for temporary offices while Tigh na Sgìre is being updated.</p> <p>4. Lottery – £1000 to be used from Bayfield Carpark fund for project setup and initial jackpots. Lotto jackpot of £250 / £1 per ticket was agreed.</p> <p>5. Final accounts are in, funds going in the right direction in general. Graham proposed and Peter seconded.</p> <p>6. AGM is to be held at the Tongadale Hotel, Portree at 7:30pm, 28/1/25.</p> <p>7. Constitution review. Board members have reviewed and are happy with the current constitution. As an exercise, Graham Smith has volunteered to review.</p>	<p>1. PBCT to respond that toilets will be removed unless THC changes stance.</p> <p>2. IM to look at potential short term funding options for PO post.</p> <p>3. IM to respond, land can't be used for building material storage. Max 18 months.</p> <p>4. LS to push Lotto, advertise and distribute promotional materials.</p> <p>5. No actions</p> <p>6. No actions</p> <p>7. Graham Smith to review and provide any feedback.</p>

8	AOCB	<p>Contact is to be made with the council regarding the condition of the older section of the Bayfield carpark. There are significant potholes and damage. The letter is also to be send to councillors.</p> <p>A pipe was fixed at the Bayfield waste dump by Duncan Brown but has since been stolen. Duncan will replace in due course. Jordan Murchison has been contacted will fix smaller pipe that has also been damaged.</p> <p>IM to organise meeting regarding expansion of Bayfield carpark toward the seafront.</p>	
9.	DONM	<p>February 11th 2025 – 7pm – Jans Donald Ross Suite</p> <p>Dates of the following three meetings to be agreed.</p>	LS to book room.
10.	Close	Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.	