

Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – 11/2/25 at 7pm at Jans Donald Ross Suite

	Item	Minutes	Action Points
1	Welcome, Introductions Apologies	<p>Present: Calum Matheson (Chair), Duncan Brown (Treasurer), Neil Campbell, Irene Deplano, Chris MacDonald.</p> <p>Staff: Iona MacDonald, Development Officer; Alec McLeod, KGV Project Officer; Luke Slater, Finance and Administration.</p> <p>Apologies: John Boyd; Annemarie Campbell; Lorna Cormack (Secretary); Pamela Simmister; Graham Smith; Peter Urquhart (Vice-chair).</p>	
2	Adoption of Minutes	<p>Approved: Duncan Brown</p> <p>Seconded: Chris MacDonald</p>	
3	[Agenda Items]	•	
4	Check in / good news stories / updates etc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Allotments – Skye Inn volunteers helped for three days, much was accomplished in that time • Urras an Eilein donated £500 for Speak up for Gaelic • RunRig event went well for Light Up Portree • Helipad new fencing and electrical work to be completed soon 	
5	Volunteer / Employee headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alec's position to be extended by two months • Corra confirmed end date with FEI • Pam Simmister – doing very well, undergoing speech therapy • Portree Community Council to begin again, 8 volunteers have signed up so far • Community Lotto went live • Chris MacDonald – formally appointed as trustee • Hannah Alderson and Campbell Grant are now members 	IM to do research for further funding and development stage of KGV project

6	Issue List	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Highland Council pier toilets issues have been resolved. 2. Alec McLeod gave a report on the current situation with the KGV buyout. PBCT has agreed an extension of two months of Alec's position. No survey from ProPitch has been received to date. Old swimming pool site works have begun by THC, concrete foundations for temp offices are in. 3. Luke Slater gave an update on the website and Lotto – The website is on schedule to be launched by the end of the month. The Lotto is ongoing but may need a boost to keep up momentum. 4. Bayfield Embankment grass cutting works – Gary Shinnie has provided a cost. 17th February for decision on award of funding. 5. Roger Liley has called meeting along with John Boyd looking for volunteers for support on this project - £3800 grant has been applied for by IM from Rabbies. 6. Electric bikes, no facility at PCC to take this in. 7. Ross Cowie memorial: Path - Campbell and Billy MacCaskill in favour of linking the path with Aros and their land near Braes Junction. Big Hall at PCC to be named Ross Cowie Hall. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. 10:30 Monday presentation with THC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IM to raise question about foundations at swimming pool site, THC to return site to previous state. THC to confirm remediation 3. -LS to explore options for boosting awareness and interaction with the lotto. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LS to contact Club Force with issues (forced saving of details, forced acceptance of cookies, opt in of auto renewal) - LS to explore options for tickets, £2, £3 etc - LS to purchase long extension cable for PCC TV 6. IM to respond – PBCT to support this but cannot accommodate at this point. 7. IM to mention to THC on Monday meeting about tying new junction at LAS/cemetery and Ross' path works together.

7	Development Officer Report	<p>IM distributed a report on current projects and funding applications ahead of the meeting.</p> <p>Board members noted the content and were happy progress IM was making.</p> <p>Land Title to squash courts area in Bayfield has been received.</p> <p>Vandalised bench at the top of Bayfield – action required.</p>	<i>IM to investigate benches</i>
8	AOCB		
9.	DONM	<p><i>18th March – Day Meeting – 10am in PBCT Office</i></p> <p><i>15th April – Night Meeting – 7pm Jans Donald Ross Suite</i></p> <p><i>Third Tuesday every month as a standard date.</i></p>	LS to book room for 15/4/25
10.	Close	Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.	