

Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – 2/9/25 at 7pm Jans Donald Ross Suite

	Item	Minutes	Action Points
1	Welcome, Introductions Apologies	Present: Calum Matheson (Chair); Duncan Brown (Treasurer); Irene Deplano; Neil Campbell; Chris MacDonald (online) Staff: Iona MacDonald, Development Officer; Luke Slater, Finance and Administration, Alec McLeod, KGV Project Officer. Apologies: Peter Urquhart (Vice-chair); John Boyd; Annemarie Campbell; Pamela Simmister; Graham Smith; Lorna Cormack (Secretary)	
2	Adoption of Minutes	Approved: Duncan Brown Seconded: Irene Deplano	
3	[Agenda Items]		
4	Check in / good news stories / updates etc	We had a big win with the Community Lotto – Suzy El Deeb won £1,000 Thanks for Iona and her team for litter picking at Bayfield Thanks to Portree Tug of War team for £250 donations	
5	Volunteer / Employee headlines	Sophie started back in post on 8th August. Fiona is back and on annual leave until 15th October. Fiona and Iona will be job sharing, initially at 3.5 days for Iona, 1.5 days for Fiona, until childcare arrangements start in January, then it's 2.5 days each. Sophie on 14 hrs/week, sharing with Lottie and Eilidh at 10 hrs/week each. Iona confirmed as lead signatory for PVGs with Disclosure Scotland. Tommy Seymour has his PVG now, and certification for the Skateboard Coaching.	

6	Issue List	<u>KGV</u> The Highland Council have responded to our last letter, regarding the KGV pool site. THC have removed a lot of the conditions that we put in. Remove the long stop date of 30th June 2027, no set date now. Also added, they can delay by three-month periods as required, with no end date. Alec is creating a radio show on Community Land justice; Radio Skye have agreed that the first episode can be about this entirely. <u>Sconser</u> Luke has spent the last few weeks chasing votes. Currently we are at 136 in favour of the Sconser integration, and 6 against. <u>Wheeled Sports</u> Moving forward. Tommy is now coach certified. A new trailer is required. Who is taking responsibility for maintenance and storage of the trailer. Money needs to be used and claim in by 31 December. <u>Gedintailor Path</u> Works have been stalled; contractor must take personal time. <u>Helipad</u> Meeting with coastguard, Angus MacDonald, Jamie Halcro Johnston, Baxter, Kate Forbes. Result is MSP and MP to write to agencies to resolve the issue. A meeting will be held next week, and we hope for an update. <u>Pier Toilets</u> Currently costing the trust £3k per year. Proposed we remove the toilets at the end of October. End of October also coincides when THC contract for the Comfort Scheme ends.	Alec to draft a timeline/statement that can be used and sent to councillors/groups for sharing Luke to provide an application form for membership with Sconser question. Send to trustees. Also to split the remaining contacts amongst trustees. Iona to ask THC of possibility of extending final date. Write to THC offering them, for free, the toilets block, if not accepted, they will be removed.
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		<u>Dog Park</u> Proposal received and is thorough. However more information required, consultation on uptake, also an idea of the usage charge. <u>Fly tipping in Bayfield</u> We were alerted to some fly tipping in the small woods near Bayfield car park. Iona put together a crack team and cleaned the mess up in an hour. Thank you to those who helped. <u>Environmental health hazard at the industrial estate</u> Photos provided a few weeks ago, a large amount of fly tipping and general mess. Not a Trust issue, but we will raise it on behalf of the community. Has also been passed onto the community council. <u>Existing PBCT trailer</u> Duncan has been looking at this, making repairs. Brakes ok, two wheels ok, two wheels need painted, new plug on front required. May need a new wiring rack, Duncan to report back.	
7	Development Officer Report	<i>Iona sent out dev officer report, approved by the board of trustees.</i> <i>Alec gave an update on the KGV site purchase</i>	
8	AOCB	Old skate ramps need to be removed asap. Calum and Duncan will clear them next week.	
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