

Fernaig Community Trust

Minutes of Meeting 9th July 2024, Achmore Hall

Present: Colin McAndrew, Georgie Grimson, Kate Biss, Chris Cartwright and Lizzie Bird.

Apologies: Colin Parsons and Martin Irving

Action

<p>1. Welcome Colin McA welcomed all to the meeting.</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of Meeting June 11th 2024 Matters Arising –</p> <p>a) Georgie said she had not received invoice for the new shed and had phoned Joe's Sheds to chase. Colin McA, to assist in getting an invoice, had sent a copy of the email received from Joe's Sheds prior to placing the order which gave a fixed price quote. Chris said he would speak to Lisa next time he saw her in Portree.</p> <p>b) Correspondence - Colin McA had completed and returned the Scottish Government Annual Agricultural Census but said, following our last meeting and noting the mismatch on stated acreage, that we should get the Trust land professionally mapped. This is important for our Tenants and for the Trust and Colin McA will investigate initially through Rural Payments</p> <p>b) Land Issues Item 6 Bench below the Kissing Gate by river – ongoing as Lizzie still needs to contact Chris MacDonald. Trust Tools, amend Colin McA, not Colin P, will liaise to agree tool list</p> <p>Minutes proposed by Georgie, seconded by Colin McA and agreed.</p>	<p>Colin McA</p> <p>Lizzie</p>
<p>3. Correspondence None</p>	

<p>7. SCIO Process</p> <p>Draft Constitution – Postponed as we have not yet received the amended Draft discussed at the last meeting from Colin P. Kate asked what the minor amendment had been on the ‘categories’ and why the amendments were not included in the minutes as per those discussions at the last meeting. Lizzie explained that this would have duplicated the process as Colin P was updating the draft during the long discussions and this took some time as her, and others, had paragraph numbers different to the copy Colin P was working on.</p> <p>As the final draft had not been received prior to this meeting, Georgie proposed that we need to have a meeting to discuss and approve the final draft. It was agreed that this would be the 13th August, our usual night for a Trust meeting.</p>	<p>Colin P</p>
<p>8. AOB</p> <p>a) The Trust’s Allotment Open Day will be the 20th July.</p> <p>It was agreed to publicize this more broadly and have posters. Lizzie will contact Colin P.</p> <p>b) Trust’s Open Day date agreed - the 31st August.</p> <p>As for previous Open days we will need a meeting to confirm/make arrangements and Tuesday 20th August. was agreed</p> <p>Regarding organising and running the Duck Race, the Board agreed that we ask Duncan and Lizzie will contact him to see if he will do it.</p> <p>c) Funds from sale of Old Office</p> <p>Chris and all agreed that the funds from the sale of the old Office should be placed in a high interest account. Georgie will investigate.</p> <p>With the Draft Constitution being our primary concern at the moment it was agreed that Trust should consider and involve the community with ideas regarding the funds and this will be an agenda item at a future meeting before going to the community.</p> <p>Colin McA said that thinking about categories would help future ideas, for example</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An Educational Bursary - Projects of benefits to the wider Community - Trust Land priority needs – such as replacing boundary fences - A Reserve Fund 	<p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">Lizzie</p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">Lizzie</p> <p style="text-align: center; vertical-align: middle;">Georgie</p>

<p>Kate usefully suggested using the proposed 'Purposes' of the Trust as criteria for deciding on spending.</p> <p>Georgie said that even with the benefit of the sale money from the old Office, we must not forget the Trust's need for future income streams</p> <p>d) Minutes of meeting. Kate asked if the draft minutes could be sent out earlier prior to meetings and Lizzie agreed.</p>	<p><i>Lizzie</i></p>
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Date of next meeting: Tuesday 13th August 2024, Achmore Hall, 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 8.55 pm.