



Minutes of the Pairc Trust Board Meeting held on 9th August 2016

These minutes were approved by the Board on 1st September 2016

Present: Angus McDowall (AMcD), Steve Mortimore (SM), Ken Kennedy (KK), Tim Hollis (TH), Jim McLaughlin (JMcl), Maretta Campbell (MC) **In Attendance:** Jen Ellis (JE), Sandra Pozorski (SP)

Item	
1	Apologies: John Murdo Matheson (JMM), Alan Wilson (AW)
2	Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting Minutes of the last meeting were proposed by AMcD and seconded by KK
3	Matters Arising
3.1	It was suggested a discussion should take place in the future with Scottish Water to bring the lochs they currently own back into estate ownership.
3.2	New office furniture has arrived and the office is currently being upgraded.
4	Clay pigeon Shooting An approach has been made regarding a clay pigeon shoot on estate land. The Development Manager will respond to the request and find out more regarding health and safety regulations.
5	Legal Requirement for Masts There are two masts in Gravir and Habost. AMcD has been approached regarding the lease of the masts. It was agreed that JE would find out more regarding this and will feedback the information to the Directors.
6	Christmas Social Function A Christmas social function was suggested, as it would be a good opportunity for all the community groups in Pairc to enjoy an evening together. JE suggested that this be in conjunction with celebrating the first anniversary of purchasing the Estate. JE will discuss this with Ravenspoint and other community groups.
7	Abandoned Vehicles It was noted that there seem to be a number of discarded vehicles on Estate Land. The first course of action will be to approach and speak to the owners of the vehicles. SM agreed to follow this up when he returns to the island in September.
8	Update from Gaelic trip to Skye TH attended a Gaelic course in Skye with the aim of bringing ideas back to Pairc. He found the visit very informative and has a number of suggestions about how we can deliver something similar in Pairc.
9	Resource Centre The Board agreed that they are keen to purchase the Resource Centre, and for it to remain as a community asset. JE has met with the Comhairle and AMcD will follow this up with a conversation with Economic Development. JE will find out the running costs for the building and will contact HiE to enquire about funding.
10	Local Development officer It was agreed that the Trust would benefit from the support of a L.D.O. in developing projects. JE will feedback to Jane Macintosh.
11	Development Managers Update JE gave the Directors an update of the current projects she is working on. Housing: The bid for feasibility funding from the Rural Housing Fund has been successful. All Directors agreed to award the contract for the feasibility study to T.I.G. due to the strength of their application. JE is working on a business plan and application to purchase the Care Home from the Comhairle, which will be submitted by the end of August. Community Choices Fund: A funding application has been submitted and we will receive a decision by the end of August. Renewable Energy: An application to the ILF for feasibility funding has been submitted. JE to check if they have received all the information required.
12	AOB

	The Board Meetings will now take place every two weeks. SE to post an appeal on Facebook for stewards to help with the Road Race on 27 th August. It was agreed JE will become the Company Secretary. Maretta Campbell stood down as a Director, as she is moving to the mainland.
13	Date of Next Meeting: to be confirmed

Sandra Pozorski 10th August 2016