HorshaderCommunity Trust Minutes of Board Meeting Monday 4th December 2023

1. Preliminaries

Present: Gordon Matheson, Carole Miller, Fiona Jefferson, Flora Macleod, Jimina Macleod & Donna Maclennan

Apologies: None

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes approved.

Resignation - D Murray has offered his resignation as Director of the Trust. The Board expressed their thanks to him for all his service to the Trust.

Chair – Carole Miller re-elected as Chair, nominated by JML and seconded by FJ.

Any Declarations of Interests: None

2. Review Of Actions From Previous Minutes

Loan - DML rechecked and the sum of £53,783 has to be paid back. Invoice will be issued in due course.

Cash Platform – Account still being set up.

Staff Christmas Dinner – Organising for Friday 15th. Menu Choices to be into Gordon by Friday 8th.

Shawpbost/Christmas Fayre – £283 from Shwapbost to be donated to BHF. Money still to come in for Christmas Fayre.

3. Project Evaluation Group

No PEG meeting as no applications received.

4. Operational Update/Financial Update

Membership Applications – None

Bursary Applications – None

Update from Development Officer –

TOSC Meeting – The board of TOSC will contact the community regarding the proposal with letter and questionnaire from us re what the board propose to do with the building. Once the questionnaires are returned, there will be a joint consultation "day" on Saturday 13th January time to be confirmed.

Health and Wellbeing Fund –GML looking at applying for funding for a part time gardener.

Toilets at Grinnivat – Old toilet disconnected but waiting for hiab to remove. In progress.

Proposed New Site for use by HCD – GML had discussion with I Mackay for suitable site for use of lots of functions.

Christmas Bonus-Sorted and details will be emailed to DML.

5. Project Updates -

Support and Connect – Nothing to report.

Tree Ark –Nothing to report

Community Woodland – Nothing to report.

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Newsletter – Hoping to have newsletter out this month.

Logo – Leave logo as is for time being.

Financial Balances – Current balances very healthy with a further waterfall payment received.

Admin Person – The board have authorised a part time admin post, as we have someone temporarily in place, appoint without going to advert.

Lucky2BHere & British Hearth Foundation Donation - £500 each which will be made from funds raised at Shawpbost and Christmas Fayre with balance being topped up from HCD funds.

Communications – To help improve communication within the team, DML will organise for a weekly email update from one of the staff.

Social Media – Insta now live for HCT.

Date of Next Meeting – To be confirmed in New Year.