

**HorshaderCommunity Trust
Minutes of Board Meeting
Monday 30th October 2023**

1. Preliminaries

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

Apologies: Donald Murray

Minutes of previous meeting: Minutes approved.

Any Declarations of Interests: FJ – TOSG funding application.

2. Review Of Actions From Previous Minutes

AGM - When is AGM usually held? DML has checked and there is nothing in constitution that AGM should be held at specific time of year.

Cash Platform Accounts – Pros and cons for different ones

Christmas Party – Staff would prefer a night out to Borge House, DML will look at dates and book it.

Grazings Committee Meeting – Update from Laura re meeting and progress with tree ark orders and Community Woodland.

Shwapbost/Christmas Fayre – Shwapbost is on this weekend, not many donations so far. Christmas Fayre due on 18th November ,continue to promote on social media.

3. Project Evaluation Group

No meeting as no applications had been received before meeting. One application came in late from TOSC for fireworks night, approved by board funding of £500 towards.

4. Operational Update/Financial Update

Membership Applications – Alasdair Macleod & Margaret Macleod –Both approved.

Bursary Applications – None

Update from Development Officer – No response from Landfill Community Fund for replacement of toilet at Grinnivat Polytunnels. We should have an answer by the end of the week.

The Board received a letter from TOSC asking if HCDT would be interested in taking over the running of the building. Gordon has been down to look at TOSC and see what initial issues there may be, electricity costs and running costs being the initial problems highlighted. Put on Agenda for AGM.

Christmas Bonus–Board to discuss via email.

5. Project Updates –

Support and Connect – Gate has been installed at the end of drive to stop the sheep getting in.

Tree Ark –See above.

Community Woodland – See above.

6 AOCB –

AGM–DML will organise teas/coffees.

Neuro Hebrides – Galson will take on booking of the beach buggy for them.

Thank you letters received from Bursary award recipients.