

Horshader Community Development Trust (HCDT)

Board Meeting - Minutes of Meeting held on Monday 26th September @ 7.15pm.

Present- Carole Miller, Jimina Macleod, Flora Macleod, Donald Murray, Fiona Jefferson & Donna Macleod (Office Manager)

VENUE:- Raebhat House, North Shawbost, HS2 9BD

Preliminaries: -

No matters arising from previous minutes. Previous minutes of 17th August were approved. No actions. Minutes were signed by Carole to be put out on notice boards.

Governance –

No letters have been received for the Directors.

Scottish Government – Investing in Communities Fund (ICF) – Carole Miller and Donna Macleod have become authorised signatories.

It was to be noted that Jimina Macleod & Flora Macleod were elected as Directors at a General Meeting on 09.08.22.

Complaints or other – None

Reports & Updates -

Planned Events - Out of respect any planned events will be cancelled or postponed if there is a death in the community on the day.

Bursaries - unfortunately due to the overspend of the bursaries budget any new applications who are not eligible will not be considered. Reference is to be made to the minutes of 17.08.22 where this was decided. Bursary guidelines to be looked at again.

Driving Lessons - To receive a bursary for driving lessons, you have to be a Horshader resident and have had driving lessons to get the bursary otherwise you are not considered.

Digi Grant applications - were received but were not eligible.

Membership Application -Jordan Morrison submitted an application to become a member which was approved.

New Van – to find is there funding available? Is there funding for electric? Should we consider Leasing?.

Community Space Completion Certificate – Ongoing. Difficulty in getting trades for any work just now.

Community Consultation - We plan to do a community consultation and from that a new development plan will be drawn up. Alasdair Wiseman has offered to do a day for our new development plan.

Previous Development Plan – Is there still anything to be done from the previous plan – Playpark?. Would be good to have a new development plan in place for the new job.

Planning for future – to be continued when we have more staff.

Community Fund:-

Gaelic Café – an application has been received for the community fund from the Gaelic Café. Could we buy their services? They need to raise 30K. Part of our charitable aims is to promote our gaelic heritage. Projected costs are around 31K. They need to raise around 10K. We will give them £1,000. Carole getting in touch to tell them to give us their bank details.

A letter has been received from Urras Oighreachd Bharabhais on behalf of Bragar Cemetery Committee with a request for funding towards the work of alleviating coastal erosion at the cemetery. Urras Oighreachd Bharabhais are to be asked to fill out a community fund form for consideration.

Monkey Solutions – put in an application for funding but was declined due to finances at present. They are to be allowed to have the premises for free on a 3 month trial basis.

Website – check it is up to date with services we provide and staff.

Winter Fuel Bonus - to go out asap. It is only open to permanent residents in the Horshader area. One per household. Letter going out to say to return ASAP.

Village Clear Up – in conjunction with the school we are going to look at it. Also suggested to look at a company who does beach clean ups and uses material found for recycling purposes.

Next Year's Budgets – to be sent to the accountant.

Date of next meeting 31.10.22