

## **Horshader Development Trust**

Minute of Board Meetings Monday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Present:** Carole Miller, Donald Murray, Donna MacLennan, Flora Macleod, Fiona Jefferson, Jimina Macleod,

Minutes of previous meeting and trust general meeting were approved and signed.

**Matters Arising from Previous Minutes** - None

**Bursary/Membership Applications** – None.

**Support & Connect** – We were not successful in securing funding for this project which encompasses the minibuss and grass cutting services. If these services are to continue, costs will have to increase so they will be viable.

**Community Woodland Project** – Laura joined the meeting and laid out plans for taking the woodland project forward. The proposal sounded very positive with limited financial input from the Trust. All agreed that Laura should start moving the project forward. Laura left the meeting.

**Financial Management** – Final instalments of UKCRF and Investing in Communities funding has been received. Financial situation stable currently under the due diligence of Trust staff.

**Staff Bonus** – All agreed to wait until waterfall payment is in and financial situation is more viable.

**Land Boundary** – There is a problem with the land that Horshader occupies. There will be significant costs associated with putting this right. DML in talks with Barvas Estate and solicitors to carry out corrective conveyancing.

Can a charity lease a croft? DML will find out.

**Funding/Fund Raising** –Application in process for Roberston Trust for funding for Support and Connect.

**Events** – Look at different events for the summer period. DML will speak to BCA about water sports activities, CM will look into Feis days. All to think about other activities that we can look into holding.

**PEG Groups** – Look at again in May.

**Development Plan and Budgets** – Look at community questionnaire to be given out prior to development plan community meeting. Ask AW to begin process with view to having community meeting in May/June 2023.

**AGM** – Set date in March.

**AOCB** –

1. Coffee Morning – Flora and Mairi doing March.
2. Cllr Donald Macsween – Wishing to use trust for surgery (£20 for room hire)
3. Climate Ceilidh – DML will speak to Brian Whittington to organise a meeting for Horshader.
4. Metagama – DML will look into it.

5. Grass Cutting – Horshader qualified residents - charges will start from £25/hr minimum depending on size, £35/hr for those who do not qualify.
6. Minibus – Agree to continue it until foreseeable future. Review use of minibus before summer holiday.