

NORTH HARRIS TRUST

MINUTE OF MEETING

TITLE : The North Harris Trust

DATE : 11.01.202

TIME : 7.30pm

VENUE : Zoom

- Present: Calum MacKay, Barbara MacKay, Robert MacKinnon, Kirsty MacKay, Finlay E MacLeod, Donnie MacLeod, Paul Russ, Donald J Morrison, Tim Langley, Michael Hunter, Diana MacLennan, Karen MacRae

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1.	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kate Lewis, David Wake, John MacLean		
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minutes were approved by Robert MacKinnon and seconded by Finlay E MacLeod• No matters arising.		
3.	Staff Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clara is currently at her home in the Isle of Wight and unable to travel back due to restrictions.• The Distillery development at Urgha is progressing with the planning application submitted.• Michael has consulted local residents regarding the proposed seasonal accommodation development behind Harris House. The residents were strongly opposed to the proposal. Michael has also tried unsuccessfully to contact the crofter but will keep trying and report back at the next meeting.• The hind cull has been successfully met by both ACE and HSC. SGRIPD have allowed to cancel the helicopter deer count for Spring 2021 but a foot count should be considered in the coming months.• Alasdair MacLeod should have proposals for review for the Meavaig housing site by the second week in February. The Rural Housing Fund deadline has been extended beyond March 21 therefore relieving time pressure for a funding submission.• The topological survey for the Marig Slipway site had been received and the croft tenant has been contacted regarding an area adjacent to the site. Procurement of this area would allow better use of the site.		
4.	Flexible Furlough <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Due to current restrictions and a quiet working period, Michael has proposed that staff be placed on a flexible furlough scheme. Staff would work on a rota and the office would be covered every day of the week. This scheme can be reviewed and hours increased if necessary. The Board agreed this to be a sensible option in the current circumstances. The rota system will begin tomorrow, 12th January.		

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5.	<p>Croft Re-let</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The application form for the re-let of 2 Ardhasaig was agreed subject to a minor change in the wording of the current housing situation question. Michael has contacted the Ardhasaig Grazings Clerk who has agreed to participate in the selection process. The selection panel will meet on week commencing 22nd January with the new tenant recommendation to reach the Crofting Commission by 3rd February. Phil Bertin had previously agreed to attend with Finlay Ewen, Paul and Robert also volunteering. 		
6.	<p>Bedersaig Plot</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A verbal offer of £40 000 has been received for the plot for sale in Bedersaig. The proceeds of the sale are to be shared with Roddy MacLeod who has claim to part of the site. The Board agreed to accept this offer. 		
7.	<p>AOCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No other business was discussed. 		
8.	<p>DONM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 1st February 2021 AGM - Monday 22nd February 2021 		