	TITLE	:	The North Harris Trust		
NORTH HARRIS TRUST	DATE	:	21:03:22	TIME :	7.30pm
MINUTE OF MEETING	VENUE	:	Tigh an Urrais and Zoom		

• Present: Michael Hunter (Chair), Robert MacKinnon, D J Morrison, Paul Russ, Kirsty MacKay, David Wake, Finlay MacLeod, John MacDonald

Item		Summary and Action		When?
1.	Apologies	 Diana MacLennan Donald MacLeod, Kate Lewis, Tim Langley, Calum MacKay, Barbara MacKay, Lena Morrison, Phil Butterfield. 		
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting and Matters Arising	Minutes were approved by Finlay MacLeod and seconded by DJ Morrison.		
3.	Appointment of Office Bearers	 It was noted that both Calum MacKay and Tim Langley had offered to continue in post as Chair and Vice-Chair respectively. There were no other volunteers for the roles, so their tenure was approved. Chair proposed by D J Morrison and seconded by Finlay MacLeod, Vice-Chair proposed by Robert MacKinnon and seconded by Paul Russ. 		
4.	NHT Board nominations to NHTC Board	 It was noted that both Tim Langley and Kirsty MacKay were willing to remain as nominated Directors on the NHTC board. Barbara MacKay is currently the third nominated Director. As Barbara was absent from the meeting it was agreed to ask if she was willing to remain, Paul Russ has offered to fill the role should Barbara choose to stand down. 		
5.	Staff Reports	 A cost plan and building design drawings have been received from Alasdair MacLeod with regards to the Meavaig house site. Alasdair is keen to proceed with planning and building warrant work but has stated that he does not want to manage the project to completion. Options for management will be explored. The plans and costs will be circulated to the full board of Directors for comment. 	DW	22.03.22
		 Unit 3 Iomairt an Obain has seen little activity over the last year despite reassurances from the tenant. It was agreed to remind the tenant of our expectations. Conflicts of interest were noted for Kirsty MacKay and John MacDonald. CnES has offered a limited supply of tourist management signage. Directors were asked to comment on potential locations. 	DW	01.04.22

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		 It was noted that at a recent shareholders meeting in Scalpay, the crofters have chosen not to allow the Trust to extend the existing Outend carpark. It is widely acknowledged that there is a visitor management issue at Outend. Options will be explored to improve parking facility provision, including up and along the Peat Road. Fañch Bihan-Gallic has been appointed as the North Harris Ranger. He will commence his role before Easter. The Nature Restoration Fund capital work is coming to an end with an end of month deadline for all claims. There is a dispute over the legal title to the croft house on 2 Ardhasaig. Directors agreed to seek legal advice on the matter. An unexpected funding opportunity has arisen from Historic Environment Scotland. This has allowed removal of rubbish along the shore and may cover the removal of asbestos roof boards from site. It was noted that the Nature.Scot-funded Greylag Goose Management scheme would shortly get underway once more. No concerns were raised. 		
6.	AOCB	 Further suggestions were made for a revision of the Draft Strategy Document, tabled at the AGM. It was suggested that financial sustainability should be prioritised. A revised draft will be made public for comment. NHT has been approached by Ardhasaig Crofters who wish to object to SSEN's plans to reroute the overhead power lines in the township. It was agreed that an NHT representative should be present when SSEN and the crofters meet. Directors wish to support the Crofters. 		
7.	DONM	Board Meeting - Monday 25 th April 2022		