

NORTH HARRIS TRUST

MINUTE OF MEETING

TITLE : The North Harris Trust

DATE : 14:01:2013

VENUE : Harris Hotel

TIME : 7.30pm

Present: Calum MacKay, CB Morrison, Tim Langley, Mick Blunt, Linda MacDonald, Barbara MacKay, Kenny MacKay, Alistair MacLeod, David Wake, John A MacDonald, Diana MacLennan

Calum informed directors of the sad news received about the death of Steve McCombe's mother.

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1. Apologies	Mark Lazzeri, Steve McCombe, D J Morrison, Matt Watts, Chrissie Gillies, Karen MacRae		
2. Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by Calum and seconded by Kenny. The new format of minute was approved and will be used in the future. <u>Office space</u>. The tenants occupying the office have viewed their new accommodation and will be moving at the end of January when they have phone lines and broadband installed in their new premises. When vacated, the Board Room can also be used as a meeting venue for other community organisations. <u>Islands Book Trust</u>. There has been no further communication regarding the publishing of a book of Laurie Campbell's photographs. It was decided to investigate this further with Strathprint and also to get a quote for the printing of the 2014 calendar. <u>Tourist App</u>. It was decided not to progress with the app at the present moment as HDL are in the process of producing something similar. 	Diana/Chrissie	ASAP
3. Scalpay Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An advert has been placed in this week's De tha Dol? to inform NHT members of the proposed Scalpay merger and requesting anyone in the North Harris community unsure of their membership to contact the Trust and also to encourage new membership applications. Alistair presented the Board with a proposed letter to be sent out to all Scalpay residents inviting them to become provisional members of NHT. The Board had been kept informed of the discussions held to date and were in agreement with the steps proposed to establish what assistance we would request from HIE. The estimate of legal costs is awaited from Anderson MacArthur and it was agreed that Development Officer funding should be requested for a three year period. 	AML	ASAP

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4.	AGM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The AGM will take place at the beginning of March when the accounts have been finalised. 		
5.	Review of Diane Campbell Proposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A proposal paper by Diane Campbell was presented to the Board by David and a discussion took place regarding what directors felt was the best way to proceed with the consultation. Funding of £2000 is available from the Big Lottery and directors decided that a 3 hour workshop, which Diane Campbell would facilitate, would be constructive. 		
6.	10th Anniversary Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MÀNran contract for the 10th Anniversary on Friday 26th April has now been finalised and Face the West have been booked. Amhuinnsuidhe Castle are also planning to host an open day in conjunction with the Trust's celebrations and could tie in with the community walk. The prospect of producing a booklet to promote the Trust's achievements in the last 10 years was discussed and directors felt that this would be valuable. 		
7.	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Distillery Project</u>. There will be a representation from the distillery project in the Harris Hotel on Monday 21st January showing the designs and discussing their ideas with any interested parties. <u>Scotland Outdoors magazine</u>. Barbara showed the Board the magazine where there is an article about Laurie Campbell's photography on North Harris. <u>Islands Explorer Magazine</u>. The magazine are looking for an article about the Mountain Festival for their next edition and Mick will provide them with this. <u>Monan</u>. David informed that planning permission for Monan is due to expire and has been advised to start work on site. <u>Life on Harris</u>. Christine Morrison spoke to Calum and thinks that Life on Harris will be broadcast in the Autumn. <u>Staffing</u>. Both Karen and Chrissie's posts are due to terminate at the end of March / beginning of April. Due to the Trust not having resources available it was discussed whether other funding avenues could be investigated. The possibility of another Graduate Placement was also discussed. <u>Ranger Van Lease</u>. It was discussed at the last staff meeting whether it was viable to purchase the Ranger van for the sum of £5000 as requested by the leasing company and felt that, at the present moment, staff could manage with the older Berlingo van. A new lease could be investigated in the future, if required. <u>Enterprise Day</u>. An Enterprise Day is to be held in the Harris Hotel on Tuesday 19th March. 		
8.	Date of Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 4th March 2013 at 7.30pm, Tigh an Urrais 		