

NORTH HARRIS TRUST

MINUTE OF MEETING

TITLE : The North Harris Trust

DATE : 26:11:2012

TIME : 7.30pm

VENUE : Harris Hotel

Present: Calum MacKay, CB Morrison, Tim Langley, Mick Blunt, Linda MacDonald, Barbara MacKay, DJ Morrison, Kenny MacKay, Alistair MacLeod, David Wake, Karen MacRae, Matt Watts, Chrissie Gillies, Diana MacLennan

Guests: Diane Campbell, Christine Morrison, Ged Yeates

Calum introduced Diane Campbell - Community Consultation consultant, Christine Morrison & Ged Yeates – film crew, to the meeting. Ged & Christine attended to film a short part of the meeting.

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1.	Apologies Mark Lazzeri, Steve McCombe, John A MacDonald		
2.	Minutes of Previous Meeting & Matters Arising <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minutes of the previous meeting were approved by Barbara and seconded by Cathy Bell. <u>Croileagan Building</u>; There has been a delay in the transfer of title of the Croileagan building due to OSCR refusing to wind up the Croileagan charity. Once the constitution has been changed, OSCR, should be satisfied and the title will be transferred to NHT. <u>Staff Liaison Meeting</u>; A meeting will be held on Tuesday 4th December at 5.30pm <u>Financial Reporting and AGM</u>; Alistair was in contact with CIB services and they require a month to prepare the annual accounts. A date for the AGM will be set at the next meeting. <u>Harris Marine Development</u>; Alistair will attend a meeting on Thursday along with various other agencies to discuss the marina development. Alistair will report back at the next meeting. <u>Retiring Directors</u>; Barbara, John Archie and Kenny are the directors retiring in rotation. <u>CDF Awards</u>; There have been three awards made recently: Harris Highland Dancing – £1100 Senior Citizens Lunch - £1500 Stalking Club - £1000 	AML	Next Meeting
3.	Community Consultation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diane Campbell, consultant for <i>the Pool</i>, gave the Board a brief outline of her work. Diane then talked through the outcome of the recently completed Community Consultation. Questionnaires were sent out to 355 households with 84 responses received (24%). Diane expressed the view that this was a high response. 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She also commented that The Trust should be pleased at the level of positive feedback which had been expressed by respondents regarding the work of the Trust. A discussion took place regarding what the next steps should be and Diane suggested that the full report should be put on the website and a report summary sent to all 355 households. It was agreed that Diane would take the report away and make recommendations. This will then be followed up with an action planning session where directors will decide the best way to take forward the recommendations. • Chrissie talked through the papers she had sent out and a discussion took place regarding the Pupil Consultation. It was agreed that junior membership would be left until after the pupil consultation was completed. West Harris Trust are also interested in becoming involved with this project. 		
4.	<p>Meeting with Scalpay Steering Group</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Calum, CB, John Archie and Alistair met with the Scalpay Steering Group on Thursday 15th November for an informal discussion about their views on the best way to proceed with Scalpay becoming community owned. • Calum spoke to Paul Finnegan, Chair of Steering Group, earlier tonight and was advised that Fred Taylor would possibly be approaching NHT directly with a view to establishing terms on which Scalpay could unite with The Trust. 		
5.	<p>10th Anniversary Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manran and Face the West have been booked for the 26th April 2013 for the 10th Anniversary celebrations and will be confirmed when their contracts are finalised. • Other suggestions were a community walk and a celebration booklet. • ACE have also asked for any suggestions that NHT have for them to celebrate and we will continue to liaise with them about this. 		
6.	<p>Permanent Office Space Request</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HVS are unhappy with the space they have been allocated in the old primary school and have requested that the directors consider allowing them to occupy the boardroom in Tigh an Urrais on a permanent basis. Directors felt that this would not be possible as the current agreement with HVS was considered to be a temporary arrangement and that NHT needed the office space. It was unanimously felt that it would be advantageous for NHT to have the benefit of all the office space and the boardroom in Tigh an Urrais for their own use once the current tenants have left. 		
7.	<p>AOCB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was felt that the <i>Friends of North Harris</i> would not receive gifts this year due to a number of <i>Friends</i> commenting that they would rather NHT use the money for something else and also due to the increased postage prices. • The app for places of interest in Harris was discussed and it was agreed to investigate this further. • David informed the meeting that CNES will now provide a manned skip to outlying areas and it 		

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	<p>was decided that this would be worth doing in a couple of months.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Islands Book Trust have offered to be involved in the publishing of a book of Laurie Campbell's photographs for the Trust. Such an arrangement would mean that the work of preparing the book for publication, marketing and distribution would be handled by IBT. John Randall, Chair of IBT, has offered to discuss the matter when he is next in Harris 		
8.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monday 14th January 2013 at 7.30pm, Harris Hotel 		