

## MINUTES – DIRECTOR’S MEETING 19<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at 6.30pm by Zoom

### 1. Attendance

Present: Murdo MacKay (Chairman), Diana Calvert, Neil Campbell (Secretary), Dougie Ferguson, Neil MacDonald, Rhoda MacDonald, Roddy MacDonald, Norman Ian MacKay, Richard MacLennan, Linda Armstrong (Commercial Manager), Iain MacIver (Community Participation Project Officer), Romy Benedetti (Community Admin Assistant) and Deborah Coghill (Administrator)

**Apologies:** No apologies were received.

### 2. Declaration of Interest: Roddy MacDonald and Diana Calvert declared an interest with regard to **Item 6** of the Agenda (Harris Forum re Harris Golf Club).

### 3. Minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> December 2020: The Minutes were approved subject to Neil MacDonald’s query of the Porteous’s extension (under AOCB), and Norman Ian Mackay being added to the attendance list.

### 4. Matters Arising:

**Facilities Block:** Quotes have been received back from Wernick and Portakabin but waiting for a quote from AVDanser.

**Generator:** Chris still to speak to Dougie

**Camping Spots:** Still waiting for confirmation from CnES re supposed need for Planning permission.

**Camping Employee:** Decided to wait until the next announcement from the Scottish Government before advertising.

### 5. Updates:

#### *Financial*

December Profit & Loss YTD figures

#### *Commercial Manager’s Report*

**New Booking System:** Booking system almost ready.

**Campsite:** We closed TnM for January and are looking at closing for February as well.

**Seilebost Renovation:** Duncan Porteous was in touch to say that the electricity supply was not big enough for the electric heating, showers, laundry facilities and workshop spaces. Linda is to get the cost of an increased electricity supply and the cost of upgrading the oil central heating in. Linda will circulate the prices by email when they come in, as a decision will then need to be taken quickly.

**Covid 19 Financial Support:** Only two specific are available that Linda thought might be suitable, i.e. the Targeted Corona Virus Support Business Fund and the Tourism (?) Funding Package, but still waiting for information.

**Broadband:** Donnie Morrison has asked that anyone who may be experiencing problems with getting a connection, should get in touch with him.

**Shooting:** *(This item has been removed for confidentiality but will be restored when confidentiality is no longer required)*

**Insurance:** A review took place for various types of cover. The Directors agreed for Linda to get various quotes.

**An Traigh:** *(This item has been removed for confidentiality but will be restored when confidentiality is no longer required)*

**Seilebost School Sub-Group:** Dougie agreed to be on the Sub Group.

6. **Harris Forum:** A request was made by the Isle of Harris Golf Club to join the Forum. The Forum decided to pass this down and get the views of the current membership. The Directors were quite happy for the Isle of Harris Golf Club to join.
7. **Aspiring Communities:** Iain presented his Report. He is going to re-send the policies as he sent out the wrong ones. Iain has received confirmation of funding from the Crown Estate and Community Recovery Fund. He has meetings arranged with Harris Voluntary Service and the Volunteer Centre about how they can work together with the Trust. First Aid training has been arranged for Iain and Romy for February. So far the Horticulture project has about 50% of the funding needed for the Polycrub. Iain has applied for top soil from CnES.
8. **Health and Safety:** No incidents reported.
9. **AOCB**

**Septic Tank Outflow:** Need to get a quote for roadworks to take pipe across the road. It was suggested that *(This item has been removed for confidentiality but will be restored when confidentiality is no longer required)* could be approached for a contribution to this.

**Hydro:** No further forward
10. **Close:** Meeting finished at 7.47pm.
11. **Next Meeting :** 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021

**Proposed dates for 2021**

16<sup>th</sup> March

20<sup>th</sup> April

18<sup>th</sup> May

22<sup>nd</sup> June

17<sup>th</sup> August

21<sup>st</sup> September

19<sup>th</sup> October

16<sup>th</sup> November

21<sup>st</sup> December