

MINUTES – DIRECTOR’S MEETING 24th January 2023 at 6.30pm

1. Attendance

Present: Norman MacKay (Chair), Neil Campbell (Secretary), Andrew MacDonald, Neil MacDonald, Roddy MacDonald, George MacLeod, Finlay MacLennan, Mairi MacKenzie, Linda Armstrong (Commercial Manager) and Deborah Coghill (Office Manager)

The meeting was called to discuss the Trust’s takeover of the restaurant at Talla na Mara and as such did not take the format of a standard Board meeting. A number of updates were however given.

2. Updates:

Greenspace: The Directors agreed to a feasibility study to be carried out at Talla na Mara to advise on energy efficiency measures.

Third Sector Interface: The Trust has received a small grant to employ a part time person two days a week to carry on the Growing West Harris Project for six months.

Luskentyre Plots: Linda has been trying to arrange a meeting with Duncan MacKay’s and Scottish Water to repair the water connection allowing it to be vested.

A letter received from **(This item has been removed for confidentiality but will be restored when confidentiality is no longer required)** highlighting concerns with the supply was noted. It was agreed the priority was to carry out works required to the supply, ensuring a reliable supply and to allow it to be vested by Scottish Water.

3. Brainstorming: Various ideas and suggestions were made by the Directors and discussed about the restaurant, the space and how it should be run. The result of the brainstorming exercise is appended.

Equipment: The Directors agreed to make an offer to An Traigh for equipment.

Décor: The Board approved the colour of the paint for the bar area and for wood panelling to be installed below the Bar.

Logo: The Board approved the logo for the Restaurant.

Shop: The Directors agreed that the WHT office be partitioned to create a shop selling gift items and campervan essentials and a small office.

4. Staff Salaries: Linda and Deborah left the room while the Directors discussed the Annual Pay Review.

5. Close: Meeting finished at 8.33pm

Date of Next Meeting: 21st February 2023

Proposed dates for 2023

21st March

25th April

