MINUTES - DIRECTOR'S MEETING 21st March 2023 at 6.00pm

1. Attendance

Present: Norman MacKay (Chair), Neil Campbell (Secretary), Rhoda MacDonald, Roddy MacDonald, Mairi MacKenzie (arrived at 6.50pm), Richard MacLennan, Linda Armstrong (Commercial Manager) and Deborah Coghill (Office Manager)

- 2. **Apologies:** Andrew MacDonald, Neil MacDonald, Finlay MacLennan, and George MacLeod
- 3. **Declarations of Interest:** No declarations of interest
- 4. **Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of 21st February 2023 and 23rd February 2023 were approved.
- 5. Matters Arising/Review of Action Points:

Luskentyre: Still waiting for Scottish Water

Restaurant: The Directors of the Trust agreed that it would be a good idea to try and get some extra people to join as Directors of the Restaurant

Deed of Servitude: The Directors were happy for a formal Deed of Servitude to be put in place for access as per the current arrangement at 5 Luskentyre.

Lewis and Harris Resident Greylag Goose Adaptive Management Project: The Directors noted the continued agreement for the shooting of Greylag Geese on the estate as in previous years.

Drone/Electric Boat: The Directors agreed to grant an applicant permission to use a drone and an electric boat for survey work in conjunction with Nautilus the School Group. It was suggested that the applicant be advised to inform Borve Lodge of his plans.

Spokesperson: The Directors agreed to appoint Norman MacKay as a spokesperson for the Trust and Rhoda MacDonald for any Gaelic comment.

Peatland Restoration: The Directors agreed to invite Montgomery & Co, agents of Ridge Carbon Capture to come and give a presentation at the next meeting.

Decisions taken by email: It was noted that the majority of Directors agreed by email to purchase blinds, a Rational Oven and a Coffee Machine for the Restaurant. It had also been agreed on the 8th of February 2023 that the EGM should be held over Zoom.

6. **Health and Safety:** No issues were reported.

Richard MacLennan left at 7.30pm

- 7. **AOCB:** It was agreed to increase the use of email where possible, with croft rent and newsletters emailed where email addresses are held.
- 8. **Close:** Meeting finished at 7.45pm

Date of Next Meeting: 25th April 2023

Proposed dates for 2023 16th May 20th June

22nd August

19th September

24th October

21st November

19th December