

Minutes of Plockton and District Community Trust (PDCT)

Tuesday 17th August 2021, 7pm By ZOOM

Present; Sandra Holmes, Alaisdair Mackenzie, John Maclean, Mary Jane Campbell, David Skilling

Apologies; Margaret-ann Mackenzie, Alexander Mackenzie, Catherine Will, James Krisp

Conflicts of interest – non declared

Previous minutes – adopted by JM seconded by DS

Previous actions;

- Bank account – HBOS finally got back to Sandra, though forms will need to be re-issued. Agreed that JM, MJC, CW and SH will be signatories for the account. Two signatures will be required; this is to be JM plus one other or SH plus one other (not CW plus MJC due to family connection). JM and MJC to be appointed to use online banking.
- Admin – DS continuing on developing a filing structure for the trust, JK and AM absent and unable to give updates on website
- DS to publish something on Plockton, Past & Present Facebook page to acknowledge our 100th member

Applications for membership – Donna Heath ass. membership, June Matheson ord. membership.

Conflicts of interest – AMdoc has updated our conflicts of interest policy. This has been adopted by trustees and is to be published on our website with annual revision

No 14 Harbour Street – A meeting was held in the village with the Highland Council, with SH and AMdoc attending on behalf of the trust. The Highland Council has agreed to retain ownership of the property, LSHA are to carry out work on bringing the property up to a letting standard

Wester Ross Biosphere – it was proposed that the trust become members and work with the WRB in future

Car Park / Road Safety – meeting with HC. new signs to be erected to outline current restrictions to use of the car park, disabled parking spaces to be assigned. HC suggested that the 'keep clear' spaces be painted with double yellow lines to make parking there illegal. Access to the bins at the main pier to be addressed. Voluntary parking fees to be considered. Parking issues at access to coral beach to be addressed. HC will produce a report with recommendations. The CC, Harbour CIC and Trust will consult with the community.

Old Post Office – petition in place to show support of the Trust registering an interest, Funding for the purchase of the building to mainly come from Scottish land fund, new funds available from UK government.

Final push for signatures to take place before the end of the month to allow for paperwork to be completed.

Phone Book – This is ongoing

Short term lets – The Trust will continue to work with Scottish Government and Highland Council as new legislation is now in place

Supermarket home deliveries – DS to draft a letter to the major supermarkets to enquire about home deliveries coming to Plockton, and ask CC to do the same.

Funding - New funding opportunity for 'community stories' is available for Scotland's Year of Stories 2022. £500-£5k available. Deadline 1st of October. MJC to discuss with Malcolm Mackenzie, Catriona Lexy Campbell and possibly the Historical Society. The Trust could be the applicant if appropriate.

AOCB – no other business.

Note taker for Sept – Sandra Holmes

Next meeting 7th September.