

Plockton & District Community Trust
Urras Coimhearsnachd Sgìre a' Phluic

Minute of Trustees' Meeting: 12/09/23, 7.30pm, 43 Harbour St

Present: Mary Jane Campbell, Catherine Will, Bill Taylor, John Maclean, David Skilling, Alexander Mackenzie

- 1. Apologies:** Sandra Holmes, Alasdair Mackenzie,
- 2. Conflicts of Interest:** No conflicts of interest declared.
- 3. Previous Minutes:** approved unanimously.
- 4. Actions:** The Action List has been updated and will be circulated. Mary Jane will circulate the results of the Housing Survey to Trustees.
- 5. Membership:** Matt Jones has been approved as a full member.
- 6. Correspondence:** It was clarified that Bill will receive notice of meetings of Skye and Lochalsh Collaboration and he will pass the information on to the Trust.
- 7. Short Term Letting:** Nothing to report.
- 8. Old Post Office:** Alasdair provided the trustees with a written report on the progress of our application to the Scottish Land Fund. Sandra is working on an application to the UK Community Ownership Fund for funding towards its redevelopment.
- 9. Funding:** Sandra has lodged two EOIs to Highland Council's Community Regeneration Fund. One for capital funding for the Old PO redevelopment and extension, and one for revenue funding to create a tourism place plan. Members wish to commend her on her timely completion of these applications and in meeting a very tight deadline. Information on the progress of these will be given in due course.
- 10. Playgroup:** Alexander circulated a letter from Cat Camp Crisp asking if the Trust would take over the post of treasurer for both the English and Gaelic Playgroups. After some discussion, it was decided that while, we could offer help and support, it did not seem feasible to take on this role. Alexander to write a response to this effect.
- 11. Fundraising update:** The second ceilidh held on Friday, 1st September, raised £200 approx. To date, the ceilidhs have raised over £1,000. A Disco is planned for Friday, 29th September, and a viewing of "The Wicker Man" will take place on 6th December. It is estimated that we will have to raise between £5,000 and £6,000 for the first phase of the Old PO project.

12. AGM: Four nominations have been received.

13. AOB:

Airstrip: It was suggested we lodge an official expression of interest in the land surrounding the hangar at the airstrip. This is owned by ??? and they have indicated that they will not be replacing it if it suffers further damage. Catherine will get in touch with Alyson Byrne's boss who has lots of experience in saving airfields.

A list of community assets is to be compiled.

Paddock: A gate is needed for the paddock. David will look into the purchase.

Bill asked that the chair be authorised to sign the new collaboration agreement. The meeting agreed and authorised the chair to do so.

14. Next Meeting: Next meeting of the Plockton and District Community Trust
Tuesday 3 October.

15. Notetaker: David Skilling

