

Plockton & District Community Trust

Urras Coimhearsnachd Sgìre a' Phluic

Minute of Trustees' Meeting: 6 May 2024

held at 43 Harbour Street

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

1. **Apologies:** Matt Jones.
2. **Conflicts of Interest:** No conflicts of interest declared.
3. **Previous Minutes:** approved unanimously. No matters arising.
4. **Previous Actions:** The Action List will be updated. Register of interest to be completed by John, David and Matt must complete his Trustee form. A Draft Risk Assessment should be prepared for the paddock to be ready once the lease is agreed. Alexander to press for completion of the lease..
5. **Memberships:** No new Ordinary/Full Members were approved, therefore, Jane Stevenson cannot yet be admitted as an Associate member.
6. **Correspondence:** SCVO letters were circulated. Some useful information contained in them.
7. **Old Post Office: Asbestos Survey.** Bill had a meeting with Olli Blair to discuss whether we should go ahead with a survey for asbestos. The implications if there is asbestos present are quite serious. The cost of a survey will be £300 to £400 and Sandra has agreed that she will explore with Olli whether this can be counted as part of his fee. She will also speak to Highland Council about the survey to ensure that they are happy with this grant variation. If not, the Trust will pay for the survey separately. Alaisdair gave an outline of the costs involved in this project and the money we required to raise by the summer.
8. **Short Term Lets:** nothing to report.
9. **Asbestos Survey:** – dealt with at item 7.
10. **Website:** The website is now live at Plockton.com. We still need an appropriate logo. David, Alexander and Sandra will have access for administrative purposes.
11. **SCOTO Workshops:** Sandra will organise a date and location. Mary Jane volunteered to cover if Sandra is not available on the actual day.

12. Airstrip: Bill met with David Swanson from Highland Council to discuss the Council's plans for the Plockton Airstrip and others in the Highland Region. The meeting was both informative and encouraging. Something to keep in mind for the future.

David Swanson suggested that members of the Trust might like to visit Wick to see what groups there have achieved.

13. AGM 2024: This will be held on Wednesday, September 25, 2024 via ZOOM. Three members of the Board must stand down. Sandra advised that all the information necessary for the AGM will go on the website and David agreed to handle the admin. A Trustees' Report will be required and members must be notified in a timely manner.

14. Note-taker for next meeting: Sandra volunteered to take notes at the next meeting on 1 July, 7.30pm at Duirinish Oaks. (No June meeting).

15. AOB: Catherine reminded members that Jill Charnley has asked for Trust drinks to be removed from the Hall. David and Alexander will attend to this. She also informed members that Gus is happy to do an auction as a fund raiser for the Trust.

