

Plockton & District Community Trust

Urras Coimhearsnachd Sgìre a' Phluic

Minute of Trustees' Meeting: 18 August 2025 held at 43 Harbour Street

Present: Mary Jane Campbell, Catherine Will, Alasdair Mackenzie, Sandra Holmes

- 1. Apologies:** Alexander Mackenzie, David Skilling and Bill Taylor
- 2. Conflicts of Interest:** No conflicts of interest declared.
- 3. Previous Minutes:** The minute of the meeting on 15 July 2025 was unanimously approved.
- 4. Previous Actions:**

Old PO Rateable Value: No response received.

Risk Assessment for the Paddock: Not done.

OSCR documentation: Response to OSCR to be made. S34 letter action completed and should be removed from the Action List.

Paragraph on the Paddock for the Website: Not done.

Logo: Angie has returned an updated draft showing the mast on the Craggs. To be discussed at the next meeting.

Goodbox for old PO: Not done.

It was agreed that for future meetings, those tasked with completing an action should provide, prior to the meeting, a written report on steps taken and, if necessary, why an action has not been completed.

- 5. Memberships:** Applications were approved from:

Aileen McGhie
Fiona Mackenzie
Alex Glasgow

- 6. Correspondence:**

- Kyle & Lochalsh Community Trust has offered us a large, wipeable map of Plockton & District which is surplus to requirements now the Lochalsh Collaboration place planning work is complete. Alasdair will collect.

- Correspondence with a visiting sailor regarding his lost dinghy. We shared this with relevant local interests which led to its recovery. The sailor provided an online donation of £100 for our help.
- Various emails regarding the Lochalsh Collaboration meetings. These were forwarded to Bill.

7. Old Post Office:

Business Energy Scotland had been given the information requested.

The replacement guttering has been kindly painted by Vince Finlayson and David was asked to convey the Trust's thanks and gratitude to him.

A leak has been detected which is probably coming from the skylight.

8. Short Term Lets/Control Area: Nothing further to report.

9. Airstrip: It was agreed that the meeting with representatives from the Community Council on 15 July and the public meeting on 11 August 2025 had been successful. David had circulated a draft note of the public meeting but was asked to expand on this to include background information, details of discussions and questions and answers.

The meeting recognised that a lot of work requires to be done to progress this matter and that all Trustees must play a part. Notwithstanding this, it might be necessary to take up offers of help and ask others to assist, if willing. It was agreed that a plan of action was essential covering:

- Creating a fact file about the Airstrip (All)
- Approaching the Scottish Land Fund (Alasdair to action)
- Contact PDG Helicopters (Mary Jane)
- Contact Alex Townend about the airstrip operation (Catherine)
- Convening a planning session in early course with: 2/3 Community Council representatives, Alex Townend with those who had offered to help with a view to forming a Working Group.
- To seek community views on ideas for the Airstrip to inform a feasibility study.

10. AGM: To be held on 27 October 2025.

Members will require to be notified and calls for nominations for Trustees to made timeously.

Sandra will produce a timeline for the various deadlines.

11. Notetaker for next meeting: David Skilling.

12. AOCB: Fund-raising ideas were discussed.

Finances: (to be included as an agenda item from now on):

Current Balance	9461.54
Cash (float)	£58.00
Creditors	-£5,000.00
Debtors	0
Ring fenced	-£3,242.00
free reserves	£1,377.54

13. Next Meeting: 1st September 2025 in 43 Harbour Street.

