

Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – 5/11/24 at 1000 at Portree Community Centre Small Hall

	Item	Minutes	Action Points
1	Welcome, Introductions Apologies	<p>Present: Trustees – Calum Matheson (Chair); Peter Urquhart (Vice-chair); Duncan Brown (Treasurer); John Boyd; Neil Campbell.</p> <p>Staff: Iona MacDonald, Development Officer; Luke Slater, Finance & Administration Officer; Alec McLeod, KGV buy-out Officer.</p> <p>Apologies: Trustees – Annemarie Campbell; Lorna Cormack (Secretary); Irene Deplano; Tiffany Maberley; Pamela Simmister; Graham Smith, Associate: Chris MacDonald.</p>	
2	Adoption of Minutes	<p>Approved: Peter Urquhart Seconded: Duncan Brown</p>	APPROVED
3	[Agenda Items]		
4	<p>Passing of Ross Cowie</p> <p>----- Check in / good news stories / updates etc</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Condolences were given to the friends and family of Ross Cowie, a founder member and current trustee of PBCT, at the sad news of his passing. Board members agree that something should be done to commemorate Ross in some way. Suggestions so far include a named street, wishing well, renaming the main hall of PCC and a footpath. <hr/> <p>The launch of the WorkonSkye Recruitment Event had been postponed until Wednesday 15 January 2025. Eilidh Munro and Lottie McIntyre are working on this.</p>	<p>All board members to consider suitable options. Contact to be made with L2BH and Shinty Committee for possibility of joint venture.</p> <p>-----</p>
5	Volunteer / Employee headlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Board members and staff would like to congratulate Fiona Thomson and Bryon Ford on the birth of their son, Murdo Campbell Ford. A card and gift were given on behalf of the Trust. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sophie Wilson will soon go on maternity leave, due date 7/11/24. • Charlotte McIntyre will be assuming Sophies role while she is on maternity leave. • Luke Slater started in post of Finance and Admin Officer. 	
6	Development Officer Report	<p>IM provided an overview of the Development Officer Report. The treasurer's report has been detailed in the DO report. The following points were raised:</p> <p>Website for Work on Skye to be launched in January 2025.</p> <p>Airship Project – Alec McLeod outlined a new potential project from HiTrans. The potential for and Airship landing area in Portree Bay.</p> <p>IM's workplan was approved.</p>	AM - Expression of interest to be sent to HiTrans.
7	Issue List	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bayfield Maceration Plant –Application/Eol was rejected by Crown Estate Scotland's Community Capacity Grants Programme. Rural Design report showed potential for flood risk. A meeting with Kate Forbes to be held with DB and CM, where this may be raised. 2. Visit Scotland Centre Research – It was agreed that this project should be put on hold for the time being. Taking on a lease shows greater risk than reward currently. 3. KGV – Alec McLeod shared a paper and gave an overview of the situation. Voluntary Registration is the fastest way to solve the issue, though it is costly. The Board gave permission to offer to pay for this up to a certain point to help expedite this. 4. Approval given for KGV pitch improvement assessment 5. Helipad – suppliers have been contacted, and quotes received. 6. AGM – 3 December unlikely due to likely date for production of accounts, aim for mid-January 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IM to revisit the application using a different funding body. Send report from Rural Design to CM. 2. On hold until Pam returns. 3. IM, AM to meet with solicitor and Factor this week. Weekly catch-up meetings with CM, DB, IM and AM to be held. 4. AM to action this. 5. LS & IM to arrange purchase 6. IM to liaise with accountants
8	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neil Campbell attended a Skye Community Benefit Fund meeting; distribution amounts were provided. • In Ross Cowie's stead, there are several positions that need be filled. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Neil Campbell to assume position of Trust member within Health Group. 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ John Boyd to assume position of Trust Member within Paths Group. ○ Lorna Cormack, Annemarie Campbell and Graham Smith to represent PBCT and lay wreath on behalf of Trust on Remembrance Sunday. ○ Sluggans Woodland Park : Possible future transfer to PBCT– Paths Group, but no immediate priority. ○ Legacy-giving – no immediate priority. ○ AGM – postponed until January 2025. ○ Invitation from Highland Council to make presentation on PBCT work to LAC, Highland Council ○ GUII Near Neighbours ● Electric Bill for Pier toilets to be disputed. ● PBCT WhatsApp Groups to add Iona to participants' lists for info. 	<p>Delay to early 2025</p> <p>IM to Email with new details.</p>
9.	DONM	Tuesday 10 th December at 7pm @ Jans.	LS to book room.
10.	Close	Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.	