## Portree and Braes Community Trust

Meeting of The Portree and Braes Community Trust Board – Tuesday 13 June 2023 at 7pm at Jans Boardroom and ZOOM.

|   | Item   | Minutes  | Action Points |
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| 1 | Welcome,<br>Introductions<br>Apologies           | Present: Calum Matheson (Chair), Lorna Cormack (Secretary), Duncan Brown (Treasurer), W Edgar (Trustee) Irene Deplano (Trustee), Neil Campbell (Trustee), Ross Cowie (Trustee), Graham Smith (Trustee), Peter Urquhart (Trustee), Tiffany Maberley (Trustee, via ZOOM)  In Attendance: Fiona Thomson (Development Officer), Iona MacDonald (Finance and Administration Officer)  Apologies: John Boyd (Trustee), Annmarie Campbell (Trustee) |               |
| 2 | Adoption of Minutes                              | Approved: Lorna Cormack Seconded: Irene Deplano  |               |
| 3 | Check in / good<br>news stories /<br>updates etc | Community Centre has been granted a Public Entertainment Licence   |               |
| 4 | Volunteer /<br>Employee<br>headlines             | Fiona, Alec and Iona working well as a team.   |               |

| 6 | Development    | FT provided an overview of the Development Officer Report. The treasurer's report has |                                   |
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|   | Officer Report | been detailed in the DO report. The following points were raised:                     |                                   |
|   |                | 3 projects are now outwith their due dates  |                                   |
|   |                | Speak up for Gaelic has been granted an extension to use funding                      |                                   |
|   |                | Reimagining Camanachd Square – in final reporting                                     |                                   |
|   |                | SLF Officer – extension granted   |                                   |
|   |                | Account Balances and outstanding items:   |                                   |
|   |                | Officer claims to be made.  |                                   |
|   |                | Bayfield claims outstanding. HC have apologised. It was suggested that in             |                                   |
|   |                | future, invoices may show a charge for interest if payment is outstanding.            |                                   |
|   |                | Perhaps consider legal action as it is having an effect on the work of the Trust.     |                                   |
|   |                | Reconsider at next meeting. Fiona and Graham to hold meeting with                     | Include in formal discussion next |
|   |                | councillors. If no resolution, then legal action and press involvement should be      | month                             |
|   |                | considered.   |                                   |
|   |                | Bayfield maintenance not being carried out. No response to reminders                  |                                   |
|   |                | Projects moving steadily.   |                                   |
|   |                | Workplan Completions:   |                                   |
|   |                | Bayfield actions  |                                   |
|   |                | Community Centre,   |                                   |
|   |                | Skye Community Response   |                                   |
|   |                | Community Engagement  |                                   |
|   |                | • AGM   |                                   |
|   |                | Playparks (awaiting H&S sign-off and insurance)                                       |                                   |
|   |                | To complete:  |                                   |
|   |                | Playpark funding  |                                   |
|   |                | Project Officer claims  | Progress Claims/applications      |
|   |                | KGV – Stage 2 by August 16 <sup>th</sup> . FEI agreement?                             | Frogress Ciairis/applications     |
|   |                | Maintenance of facilities and websites  |                                   |

|   |            | FT's workplan for next month was approved.   |                                 |
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| 7 | Issue List | <ul> <li>Skate Ramps</li> <li>Not being used as intended and high insurance premium (£2000 pa)</li> <li>Board would prefer to rehome, eg primary school</li> <li>Possible sponsorship solution using advertising boards at ramp park?</li> <li>Consider permanent contouring rather than equipment (reduces insurance premium significantly)</li> <li>May be able to call on assistance from Chris James</li> </ul>  | Discuss with CJ                 |
|   |            | <ul> <li>Camanachd Square Car Park</li> <li>Intention is for Trust to take ownership</li> <li>Glen Uillinish Windfarm</li> <li>PBCT limited in its capacity to negotiate with windfarms – consider a Skye-wide group to deal with them, with representation from each community trust to maximise benefits</li> <li>Ross Cowie proposed that if Faye MacLeod was willing, that she be asked to represent PBCT. Ross and Fiona to speak with Faye in the first instance.</li> <li>There was some discussion around why Skye should be such a desirable area for windfarm development, given its high scenic value and that perhaps the developers should concentrate their efforts in less scenic areas, e.g. M8 corridor.</li> </ul> | Ross & Fiona to meet with Faye. |
|   |            | <ul> <li>Harbour Clean-up – stalled, though it was noted that the old fishing boat had now been dismantled and removed.</li> <li>Bayfield Woodland – path strimming tomorrow. Funding for outdoor learning may not be available in the future. Note that Corrie Capers (Broadford) has a summer programme.</li> </ul>  |                                 |

|     |       | <ul> <li>Allotments</li> <li>Permission sought from Trust to site polycrubs on far side. Have planted willow but this would add to windbreak. Permission granted.</li> <li>Stuart MacPherson had designed a polytunnel for local conditions. Trust had some misgivings regarding insurance for an untested design. It was not thought to be appropriate to invite Community Payback to build such a structure. May be able to consider offering an area on which Stuart could build as a display model.</li> </ul>                      | Consider area for display model.   |
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| 8   | AOCB  | <ul> <li>PCCA – some groups requesting reduction in fees. No room for further reductions. All groups are treated equally.</li> <li>Newfoundland village twinning – Trust has a lot of projects on the go at present but put on back burner.</li> <li>Cuddy's Point – a number of accidents and several fatalities have occurred at this spot over the years due to steepness of the slope. Consider a viewing platform. Note this is likely on FEI land.</li> <li>Toilets – making good money, but in need of power washing.</li> </ul> | Request quotation for installation of viewing platform  PU will ask lifeboat squad to do this. |
| 9.  | DONM  | Tuesday 11 July at <b>10am</b>  | FT to book room.   |
| 10. | Close | Chair thanked all for their attendance and closed the meeting.  |  |