

STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

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Date: 20TH January 2014
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Struan Primary School

Present: Donald Beaton Brian Morris Alison Munro Alasdair Morrison Alistair Streeton
John MacKinnon

Apologies for Absence: Christine MacLennan

1. Welcome

Meeting opened in the first instance by Chairman, Mr Donald Beaton who welcomed all to the first meeting of the year 2014.

2. Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of 28th October 2013 were put forward to the Trustees by the Secretary for approval. Trustees agreed that they were a true representation of the meeting. Minutes proposed by John MacKinnon and seconded by Alastair Morrison. Minutes were duly signed. The Chairman also signed the minutes.

3. Matter Arising

Mrs Munro tabled a letter received from **Mr Ian Blackford & Mr Kevyn Smith** from **NWSRA** (North West Skye Recreational Association) which gave up-dates on their project to provide a **Fitness Hub** in Dunvegan.

4. Web Page Update

Mrs Munro told the meeting that she has tried to contact **Niall Till** on numerous occasions but to no avail. Other than having setting up the **Web Host** there has been no further progress. After discussion on the subject the Trustees decided that Mrs Munro should contact Mr Till one more time and invite him to the **Community Council** meeting in **February** and take it forward from there.

5. Treasurer's Report

Mr Morris reported balances similar to the ones quoted at the last meeting.

Current Account	£ 80,317.00
Investment Bond 2	£ 30,000.00 Matures on 19th May 2014 @ 0.9 % Gross
Balance	£110,317.00

Mr Morris advised that he had approached the **Royal Bank & Bank of Scotland** in an effort to get a better interest rate to invest a portion of the monies, but there is none available. Mr Morris contacted **Messrs Donald Rankin** (Trust's Financial Advisors) to explain the position. It was suggested that, in the present financial climate that looking at other avenues to create some financial interest could be the way forward. Mr Morris will seek further advice and report back to the Trustees at the next meeting.

6. Applications for Funding

Application 1 – 4th Isle of Skye Guides (Group Application: APP39)

Mrs Lorraine Taylor (Guide Leader)

Amount applied for - £250 (Funds to enable all Guides to attend the **Centenary Activity Camp in Perth**)

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was agreed in principle providing that a member of the Struan community was in the Guides.

Mrs Munro will contact Mrs Taylor for confirmation of this then contact Mr Morris to forward funds if required

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application 2 – Skye & Lochalsh Meat Supply Group (Group Application: APP40)

Mr Alastair Nicolson: Chairperson

Amount applied for - £1000.00 (Assist funding for Project Worker)

Constitution noted

References noted

This was approved. In principle on the basis that the Group reached their funding target and when a Project Worker was appointed. Mrs Munro will contact Mr Nicolson of the Trustee's decision.

Action: Mrs AM

Amount approved this quarter £1250

Mr Beaton had received a letter from **Mr Colin Taylor** a committee member from the newly formed committee set up to up-grade **Caroy Jetty in Ose.**

Mr Taylor wrote that the Group intended to put forward an application for funding to the Trust for the project and requested information on the criteria required for said application. Mr Beaton contacted Mr Taylor with the information required.

No application has been received in this quarter.

7. Data Protection

Due to Miss C MacLennan being absent from the meeting, the Trustees deferred this item until the next meeting in April.

Action: CM

8. AOCB

a) Mrs Munro tabled a letter received from **Struan Community Council** thanking the Trustees for funds given to enable the Annual Fireworks Display to take place.

b) Mr Beaton advised the meeting that **Mrs Finella MacKinnon** of **Struan Garage** and **Post Office** is to retire but at present there is no effective date for Mrs MacKinnon to finish. The **ATM** which is situated on her premises is funded by Struan Community Trust and due to be reviewed. This was discussed and agreed that funding should be granted for a further 12 month period.

Mr Tony Warby owner of **Struan Shop** has applied to **Post Office Ltd** to have the Post Office situated on his premises

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 28th April 2014 Struan Primary School 7.30pm

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.40pm