

STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

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Date: 25th August 2014

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Struan Primary School

Present: Alison Munro (Secretary) Brian Morris (Treasurer) Alasdair Morrison Alistair Streeton John MacKinnon
Kenny Munro Alexander MacPhie

1. Apologies for Absence: None

Miss C MacLennan and Mr Donald Beaton (Chairman) had stood down at the AGM in June so were not required to attend the meeting.

2. Welcome

Meeting opened in the first instance by Vice Chairman, Mr John MacKinnon, who welcomed all to the meeting.

3. Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of 28th April 2014 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 Alasdair Morrison and seconded by Alistair Streeton

Minutes were duly signed. The Vice Chairman also signed the minutes

4. Web Page Update

Mrs Munro had received, by email, the document **Mr Niall Till** had drafted to enable the administrators designated for the task of learning how to populate the site (A Morrison, Helyn Macleod SCC & A Munro Trust)

Mr Morrison who is also a member of Struan Community Council (SCC) told the meeting that he had attempted to follow the instructions but it wasn't very explanatory and had found it difficult. Mrs Munro had not attempted this as she had been receiving emails stating that the page was being updated and assumed that Mr Morrison or Mrs MacLeod (SCC) were working on the site.

Mr Morrison said that it may have been Mrs Macleod (SCC) and that he will contact her and report back to the Trustees at the next meeting.

Mrs Munro had received notice that the Domain Name will expire by the 15th of October 2014 if payment is not made before that date. Mrs Munro will contact Mr Morris (Treasurer) when payment is required.

5. Matter Arising

a) Deed of Trust

Mr Morrison requested a copy of the Trust Deed to enable him to have **clause 7.3 – (No person shall act as a Trustee for a period in excess of six years without there being a period of at least a year when that person does not hold office as a Trustee)** removed. This was discussed and it was felt that the Trustees needed further guidance and that Mr Morrison should contact their solicitors **MacLeod & MacCallum** for advice as to how to take this forward. Mr Morrison will report back to the other Trustees at the next meeting.

b) Election Costs

Mr Morris asked the meeting to acknowledge the Secretaries work in conducting the Trust Election as the Election Office in Inverness were unable carry this out due to the forthcoming referendum. Mrs Munro is due to receive the secretaries' remuneration but he felt that she should be paid for the extra work carried out with her usual remit. It was decided to discuss this in agenda item 9 AOCB

6. Treasurer's Report

Mr Morris reported that the Trust had received the annual payment from **Vattenfall** on the 15th July 2014 and that the amount of **£36,851**. was paid into the Trust account, this being an approximate increase of 2.5 %.

The amount sitting at present in the current account stands at £115,939.62 with no fixed bonds; Mr Morris tabled the bank statement for the Trustees perusal.

Mr Morris drew the Trustees attention to the fact that there were monies still not paid out on applications that had been granted

Application 45 - Struan Jetty Association had been granted funding of a maximum of £27,000. to upgrade the Struan Jetty so far they have received £20,000 for the bulk of the work that has been carried out with £7000 still available to them. Mr Streeton said that the remaining work is timetabled for the latter part of the year when the boats have been removed from their moorings.

Application 39 - Skye & Lochalsh Meat Supply Group had been granted £1000 in December 2013 and has not accessed the money.

Mrs Munro will contact the Group to ascertain if they still require the funds.

Application 48 – Mr A MacPhie for £1750 per annum for 5 years for provision of a support vehicle for the Area Ambulance Crew. This application is to be part funded by Struan Community Trust and **Dunvegan Community Fund**

Mr MacPhie, who was present, explained that his application to Dunvegan had been more complicated and that his application to them was still ongoing.

Dunvegan Community Fund is due to have a meeting with Mr MacPhies' Area Manager from the **Scottish Ambulance Service** on the 4th of September 2014.

The length of time that money is required to be available for successful applicants was discussed.

Mr Morris was designated with the task of looking through the Trust Deeds to see if there is anything stated in them regarding this.

7. Election Results & Appointment of Office Bearers

Three members had stood down at the AGM in June 2014; these were Miss C MacLennan, Mr D Beaton (Chairman) and Mr John MacKinnon (Vice Chair)

Five nominations forms were received, Mr J MacKinnon,(Struan) Mr K Munro, (Ose) Mr A MacPhie,(Ose), Mr K Davies (Caroy) and Mrs P Semler (Ullinish) this meant an Election had to be held. Mrs Munro, with the help and guidance from the Election Team in Inverness conducted the Election

Results

	Candidate	Elected Yes/No	Total Number of Votes
1	Kenneth Munro	YES	125
2	Alexander MacPhie	YES	116
3	John MacKinnon	YES	83
4	Peggy Semler	NO	65
5	Keith Davies	NO	55

Electorate	255
Total Number of Postal Votes Returned	164
Return Percentage	64%
Total Rejected Ballot Paper	0
Total Valid Votes	164

Appointment of Office Bearers

Chairman –Mr J MacKinnon- Proposed by Mrs A Munro and seconded by Mr A Morrison, Mr MacKinnon accepted office

Vice Chairman- Mr A Streeton – Proposed by Mr Morris and seconded by Mr A Morrison, Mr Streeton accepted office

Secretary- Mrs A Munro- Proposed by Mr J MacKinnon and seconded by Mr A Streeton, Mrs Munro accepted office

Treasurer - Mr B Morris - Proposed Mr A Munro and seconded by Mr J MacKinnon, Mr Morris accepted office.

8. Applications for Funding

Application APP49 – Struan Community Council (Group Application)

Mr A Morrison (Chairman)

Amount applied for - £5432.74

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was discussed at length and was unanimously agreed by the Trustees

Mrs Munro will contact Mr Morrison of the decision. Mr Morris will transfer funds into the account stated on the application form.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application APP50 – Struan Parent Council (Group Application)

Mrs Susan MacKinnon (Treasurer)

Amount applied for - £964.80

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was unanimously agreed by the Trustees

Mrs Munro will contact Mrs MacKinnon of the decision. Mr Morris will transfer funds into the account stated on the application form.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

9. AOCB

a) Mrs Munro proposed that future meetings be held at 7pm rather than 7.30pm.

There were no objections from the Trustees so future meetings will commence at 7pm

b) Mr MacKinnon proposed that letters of thanks should be sent to Mr Donald Beaton and Miss Christine MacLennan for their services to the community as members of the Board of Trustees. This was unanimously agreed.

Mrs Munro will draft the letters for the Trustees approval.

c) It was discussed and agreed that the secretary be paid £150 for her extra duties in carrying out the Trust Election the amount will be inclusive of all stationery costs with the exception of postage.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Monday 3rd November 2014 Struan Primary School 7.00pm.

Future meetings were set at

Monday January 26th 2015, Monday 20th April 2015, AGM Monday 22nd June 2015 & Monday 24th August 2015

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.45pm