

STRUAN COMMUNITY TRUST

Minutes of Meeting

Chairperson	Vice Chairperson	Secretary	Treasurer
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Date: 28TH April 2014
Time: 7.30pm
Venue: Struan Primary School

Present: Donald Beaton (Chairman) Alison Munro (Secretary) Christine MacLennan Alasdair Morrison
Alistair Streeton John MacKinnon
Mr Ian Blackford: North West Skye Recreational Association (NWSRA)
Mr Elgar Finlay: Glendale Trust

Apologies for Absence: Brian Morris (Treasurer)

1. Welcome

Meeting opened in the first instance by Chairman, Mr Donald Beaton, who welcomed all to the meeting. Mr MacKinnon apologised and said he had to leave the meeting at 9pm.

2. Mr Ian Blackford: NWSRA

Mr Beaton handed the meeting over to Mr Blackford, who was attending to give up-dates on NWSRA's project to build a Fitness and well-being hub in Dunvegan.

He said that they had held their AGM on 29th March 2014 and one of the main issues raised was that NWSRA and the Education Authority had talks and were supporting the idea of a new school being built along side the hub.

He categorically stated that no such talks had taken place and that NWSRA were in full support of parents locally and would go along with their wishes.

The revenue required to run the premises on completion of the build would be £190,000, of which they are required to fund £120,000.

He thanked the Trustees for their support of £5,000 a year with the requirement for a completed application form but asked if they would consider a more long term support of £5,000 over ten years which will give them a better position when negotiating other funding.

Mr Beaton said that the Trustees will discuss this and get back to him as soon as possible. Mr Blackford thanked the meeting for the opportunity to address them and withdrew.

3. Mr Finlay Elgar: Glendale Trust (Community Bus Route) Glendale Transport Project leaflet sent by email to Trustees prior to the meeting

Mr Beaton handed the floor to Mr Finlay

Mr Finlay took the floor and gave a brief description of the role he played in the community of Glendale.

He has been employed as Local Development Officer for the Glendale area since 2012 and has had a plan and consultation done by Highlands & Islands Enterprise which identified the needs in the area which included affordable housing and transport needs especially for attending doctors etc.

He informed the meeting that an application for funding of £50,000 was going into the Health Lottery to help supply a bus service in the Glendale area which has been identified as being sustainable.

The reason he had asked to attend the meeting was to enquire if the Trustees felt that there would be a need for the same provision in Struan as the only transport in the Struan area is the School bus. He said that he would be happy to work with the Trustees to do a feasibility study and help with funding applications to Highland & Islands Enterprise if necessary.

Mr Beaton told Mr Finlay that they would discuss this and contact him.

Mr Finlay thanked the Trustees and withdrew.

The Trustees discussed each item:

NWSRA: It was decided that the Trustees in office at present would commit in principle to £5,000 for 5yrs subject to a satisfactory application form being submitted when funds were required.

Elgar Finlay (Community Bus)

It was decided that Mr Finlay be advised to approach **Struan Community Council**, who could find out the views of residents, as the Trust only deals with submitted applications
Mrs Munro will contact Mr Finlay to this effect.

4. Minutes

Minutes from the meeting of 20th January 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 John MacKinnon and seconded by Alasdair Morrison
Minutes were duly signed. The Chairman also signed the minutes

5. Matter Arising

No matters have arisen since the meeting in January.

6. Web Page Update

Mrs Munro has had no updates or been contacted by **Niall Till**.

Mr Till had attended a meeting in February with the **Community Council** about the site. He said at that meeting he would draft a document and email it to Mrs Munro, Mr Morrison and Mrs H MacLeod from the Community Council to enable them to carry out administration work and populate the site but so far has failed to do so.

Mr Morrison will contact Mr Till and get back to the Trustees.

7. Treasurer's Report

Mr Morris was absent from the meeting thus no report available until the **AGM** in June 2014.

8. Applications for Funding

Application APP41 – Struan Football Club (Group Application)

Mr Graham Campbell (Secretary)

Amount applied for - £1341.00

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was unanimously agreed by the Trustees

Mrs Munro will contact Mr Campbell of the decision. Mr Morris will transfer funds.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application APP42 – Scottish Ambulance Service (Group Application)

Mr Alastair MacPhie

Amount applied for - £1750.00 per annum over 5 years (Provide vehicle for 2nd Ambulance crew member)

The application was discussed at length. The decision made by the Trustees was that this was an issue for the NHS which is government funded thus does not fit the criteria in the Deed of Trust as funds are obtained from another source. Unfortunately the Trust was not in a position to grant funding and felt Mr MacPhie would be better to contact the Community Council to make them aware of the situation.

Mrs Munro will contact Mr MacPhie of the Trustee's decision and refer him to the Community Council

Application APP43 – Struan Gala Committee (Group Application)

Mrs Peggy Semler (Secretary)

Amount applied for - £5280.00

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was discussed in detail. The Trustees agreed to approve the amount of £4600 on the basis that they provide three quotes for the cost of the toilets and confirmation letter of the cost for The Clan cycling team.

Mrs Munro will contact Mrs Semler of the decision.

Mr Morris will transfer funds when the required paperwork is received by the secretary.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application APP44 – Duirinish & Bracadale Agricultural Show (Group Application)

Mrs Catherine Matheson (Secretary)

Amount applied for - £4200.00 (Animal Hurdles & Tables & Chairs)

Constitution noted

References noted

This application was agreed in principle. The applicant must supply the Trustees with a further quote for the hurdles as

three are required in the application and the same applies to the tables and chairs.
Mrs Munro will contact Mrs Matheson of the decision.
Mr Morris will transfer funds when the required paperwork is with the secretary.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application APP45 – Struan Jetty & Moorings Association (Group Application)
Mrs Carole Millington (Chairperson)

Amount applied for - £20,000.00 Approx (Repairs to Struan Jetty & Car Park Extension)
Constitution noted
References noted

Mr Streeton declared an interest in this application and asked if he should withdraw. It was felt that Mr Streeton should remain to answer any questions about the application but would refrain from any decision making.

This application was unanimously approved minus the picnic bench (Advised to contact Community Council). The amount of funding will be capped at £27,000 inclusive of any Vat. The funding will be paid on receipt of Invoices. Any Vat reclaimed on said works would be required to be refunded to the Trust.

Mrs Munro will contact Mrs Millington of the decision. Mr Morris will transfer funds as and when they will be required.

Action: Mrs AM & BM

Application APP46– Tristan Jackson (Individual Application)

Amount applied for - £500.00 (Fuel & Travel Costs)

References noted

This application was discussed and declined on the basis that it does not fit the criteria in the Deed of Trust and the applicant does not reside in Struan.

Mrs Munro will contact Mr Jackson.

Action: Mrs AM

Application APP 47 – Caroy Jetty Users Association (Group Application) Late Application

Mr Neil Beaton (Chairman)

Amount applied for - £3000

Constitution not supplied with the application

References noted

This application was discussed and as no breakdown of costs was supplied and no constitution provided the application could not be considered at this time and was deferred to the next applications meeting in August.

Mrs Munro will contact Mr Beaton of the decision and ask him to provide the information required.

Action: Mrs AM

(Mr MacKinnon left the meeting at 9pm) **Amount approved this quarter £37,141.00**

9. Data Protection

Miss C MacLennan tabled the amended Data Protection Policy that she has been working on with guidance from SLCVO (Skye & Lochalsh Council for Voluntary Organisations) for the Trustees' approval.

The policy was adopted as the Data Protection of the Trust.

The Chair thanked Miss MacLennan for her work and commitment to ensure the Trust had a policy in place.

10. Preparation for AGM

Preparations for the forthcoming AGM were discussed and arranged.

Mrs Munro will put an advert into the West Highland Free Press two weeks prior to the AGM and place posters on the notice board and in Struan Shop.

The three Trustees standing down at the AGM are, Miss C MacLennan, Mr Donald Beaton and Mr John MacKinnon.

Nomination forms can be obtained from the Secretary, Chairman and Struan Shop.

11. AOCB

Mr Morrison wished to discuss the Trusts' Deed of Trust and in particular **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**. He advised that if this clause was to remain in situ, future Trust Boards could lose 5 members in one year and with it being difficult to get people to put themselves forward for nomination, could leave the Trust in abeyance. The Trustees were in full agreement to having the clause removed.

Mr Morrison will forward a letter to the secretary to notify her of the proposed removal of clause 7.3 in the Deed of Trust. Mr Beaton will contact Emily Faull at Vattenfall.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING: AGM Monday 23rd June 2014 Struan Primary School 7.30pm.

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 9.45pm