

## Struan Community Development Group

<b>Meeting Details</b>	Meeting at 1930 hrs 12 <sup>th</sup> August 2019	
<b>Attendees</b>	Peggy Semler (PS), Katrina McGough (KMcG), Marion MacAskill (MMcA), Chris Henwood (CH), Sarah Illingworth (SI)	<b>Management Committee only</b>
<b>Also present</b>	Jenny Till (JT), Niall Till (NT), Tony and Bettina Grindrod (TG and BG), Kenna MacInnes (KMacl)	
<b>Apologies</b>	Clare Stones (CS)	
		<b>ACTIONS</b>
<b>Minutes from last meeting</b>	Brief discussion about minutes from meeting on 14th May 2019.	
<b>SCIO</b>	SCDG now a SCIO wef 12th June 2019. Only Chair required to sign off the Minutes	<b>PS</b>
<b>Logo</b>	Philippa moving south for a year but still interested in carrying on with the logo design etc	<b>PS</b>
<b>Newsletter</b>	Particularly useful for new people to the area. Number of changes of occupation and PS has list which needs updating. Asked for newsletter information by email. It was suggested that the SCDG could join forces with the Community Council, Community Trust and the Gala Committee in the production of the newsletter. Volunteers needed for door to door distribution. Gala Committee AGM on 16th September so newsletter could be put round 8th/9th September	<b>PS</b>
<b>Bank Account</b>	Well in funds	
<b>Civic Trust – MPM</b>	Useful first session with Elaine Richardson on 9th July. No date set as yet for next session but possibly end September or early October.	
<b>Stage One activities</b>	<p><b>Archaeological Survey.</b> We did well to get the reports set up when we did as there was dry weather. Mixed bag of 46 sites found – some previously recorded, some not. Some of these sites would require HES permission to “tidy up”. Survey took in some outlying areas too as requested.</p> <p><b>Ground Investigation.</b> Eight boreholes were dug and tested. More peat found at depth than expected – 3.7m deep in one place. S &amp; B said expert consultancy needed on this – possible cost £1500 + VAT. SLF have agreed to let us have this sum so that the work can be done.</p> <p><b>Topographical survey.</b> No written report as such for this, just mapping. Showed up slight anomaly re drains. Was done at the end of June 2019.</p> <p><b>Legal investigations.</b> Solicitor is investigating whether h SSEN has got a way leave for power line! No drainage. Land ownership definitely Scottish Ministers. Do not need full Planning Permission.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brief discussion about how to present all this information to the public.</li> <li>• PS read out to the Board various relevant sections from the Archaeological Report, particularly recommendations 7.1 – 7.8.</li> </ul>	

<b>Community Excavations</b>	JT thought this should be in parallel to the SCDG project. All agreed worth looking into. AOC have also offered to give us all their photographs.	<b>PS</b>
<b>Visit to Staffin</b>	PS and MMcA. Met with Angus Murray, from Staffin Community Trust. Only people who have also got involved in the archaeological side of their project. UHI. They want to develop Brother's Point. Keen to have others on Skye doing the same sort of thing. Keep in touch and look for opportunity to work with them. Also visited the Hall and their Gym. £99 a year for subscription. Very impressed. Average age of users is 40-50, with around 50 regular subscribers. Their Hall is smaller than what S & B are working on for SCDG which we hope will be no less than 10m x 18m. Launderette. Staffin one is very small but pretty trouble-free. SCDG to continue to think about having one. Staffin say always busy and makes money. Two washing machines and 2 tumble driers.	
<b>Other facilities</b>	Bowling alley – PS said ballpark figure for equipping this is currently around £135,000. United agreement that this should be included in our Stage 2 Funding application rather than trying to raise the funds later on. Shop area and storage at An Crubh. TG will make some enquiries.	<b>TG/BG</b>
<b>Funding and Fundraising</b>	Stage 2 funding – we need to start looking at this very soon. Contacts are very important (ask Elaine Richardson, MPM). Application need to go in in early 2020. Promotional videos – Archaeological, community and visitors. KMcG suggested we should put together a definite strategy before the next MPM meeting, possibly at the end of September/early October. Some footage already exists and MMcA involved in putting promotional video together. Strategic funding. In the region of £2.5m - £3m to include the 2-lane bowling alley. Calendar – photos. Suggest size and resolution on website. Other ideas looked for.	
<b>Organisation</b>	PS has written up a list for areas of responsibility / roles required. Some areas allocated, e.g. CH for Archaeology, SI to cover Admin/Secretarial but other areas need further discussion as to who can do what.	<b>All</b>
<b>Definition of land area</b>	Need to have this defined by mid-October 2019.	<b>PS</b>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	7.30pm Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	