

Fernaig Community Trust
Minutes of Meeting – 12th July 2016
Achmore Hall

Present: Colin MacAndrew, Georgie Grimson, Roddy MacPherson and Lizzie Bird

Apologies: Dave Mockett, Neil McRae and Duncan Gibson

1. Minutes of November Meeting Draft minutes still not received from Andy
Minutes of June Meeting – Approved. Proposed by Georgie and seconded by Colin.

2. Finance - update

- a) Georgie reported that bank account currently stands in credit at £7,000
- b) Georgie and Colin had a meeting re OSCR accounts and provision of additional paperwork including leases regarding using Lochaber Community Accounts Service as agreed at last meeting. As part of this process Georgie & Colin also looked at current state of leases, allotment leases and office rents in preparation to renew where applicable.
- c) Lizzie passed to Georgie our CWA membership renewal request for £30 per annum which Georgie will pay.

3. SDRP Footpaths Application - update

Colin reported that he had received a letter from SNH following submission of our application notifying their check on eligibility of the scheme and possible site visit. Colin had replied by email saying they were welcome to visit the site and happy to provide any other information they required.

It was agreed to put the outline plan and information on the website.

Action: Colin to send Lizzie files for her to post.

4. Office – painting etc.

This is still dependent on weather but Colin will call around the board to arrange a date/time to carry out the test painting.

5. Hay Field

Colin has sent email to Alex Townsend mentioning that the field has been limed and asking him to propose a price for standing greass

6. Allotments

- a) Colin will send email to allotment holders regarding the leases. He will mention there needs to be a rent review as well as a review of the FCT allotment guidelines. He will suggest that the holders establish an 'allotment user group' with regard to the rent review and guidelines but it was noted that this will take some time but they should be in place for spring next year. In the meantime Georgie will issue invoices.
- b) From Andy's list of allotment holders provided at last meeting Colin put these on a map and circulated to the board. This now gives us a much clearer view of occupied and un-occupied plots and to help plan for the future regarding interest in and size of allotments.

7. AOB

- a) Re Dave Mockett and shooting/archery range, Colin had spoken to Dave and he was OK about not having this on Trust land
- b) Re Crisdean and the top field, where it had been noted at the last meeting that he had re-opened the old gate and cut another fence which had not been agreed, Colin had spoken to him. The bull has now been moved and Crisdean will carry out repairs as originally agreed and to close the old gate and mend cut fences.
- c) Lizzie had received a report from CWA on an update to members' Hydro Scheme projects, which included information on our original proposals. She will circulate to board.
- d) Re Georgie's mention at our last meeting that we consider an area for a playpark/picnic area - as not part of the Footpath application we would need to find other funding for next year. There are possible sources to investigate.

Date of next meeting 9th August 7.30pm Achmore Hall

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm