

**Fernaig Community Trust**  
**Minutes of Meeting – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2016**  
**Achmore Hall**

**Present:** Roddy MacPherson, Dave Mockett, Duncan Gibson, Colin MacAndrew and Lizzie Bird

**1. Apologies:** Georgie Grimson, Neil MacRae

**2. Minutes of November Meeting** Draft minutes still not received from Andy  
**Minutes of February Meeting** – Approved, proposed by Roddy and seconded by Duncan.

**3. Finance**

- i) Georgie looked into the possibility of on-line banking but RBS will not permit as we have to have two signatures on cheques.
- ii) The insurance premium with NFU has been paid by Georgie
- iii) Georgie will issue invoices for forthcoming year's rents.

**4. Whole Farm Review**

Colin acknowledged receipt of the Review Report from Ron Duncan. Rural Affairs department of the Scottish Government have received this paperwork including the FCT action plan. We will arrange another meeting with Ron in the Autumn this year. Colin confirmed that the fee for Ron is paid directly to him from Rural Affairs.

**5. Office**

Colin confirmed that Barnpaint looks the most suitable for painting the office cladding. We will need about 40 to 60 litres at an approximate cost of £400. The Highland Council Discretionary Ward fund, which Colin investigated, will not cover this work.

**6. Hay Field**

The hay field has been harrowed by Colin Parsons with a small area left to complete.

Roddy will organise the ordering and dropping of the lime that we require to improve the hay field. The cost will be £421.68 for the lime delivered but we need to include a cost for its spreading. Roddy will check who can assist with this.

**7. SDRP Funding**

Applications open from the 21<sup>st</sup> March to the 31<sup>st</sup> May. We have registered although the website closed down on the 8<sup>th</sup> March! Colin is happy to go to Inverness to meet up with the department and discuss how best to approach our application. It breaks down into two main areas:-

- a) A plan will be needed for the proposed new path
- b) What will be needed to improve existing paths

**8. Rents**

With rents due it was agreed that we invite tenants to our next meeting to discuss any issues but particularly what we propose regarding the SRDP for their input. We will make this the first item on our Agenda. Georgie will notify tenants about this when she sends out the invoices.

**9. AOB – None**

The meeting closed at 20.50

**Date of next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm Achmore Hall**

