

Fernaig Community Trust

Minutes of Meeting – 12th June 2018, Achmore Hall

Present: Colin McAndrew, Martin Irving, Georgie Grimson, Duncan Gibson, Roddy MacPherson and Neil MacRae

Apologies Lizzie Bird

	Action
<p>1. Minutes of 8th May 2018 meeting Approved - Proposed by Martin, seconded by Georgie</p> <p>Matters Arising: Majority are agenda items for this meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Path top dressing surplus has been moved to the fank for storage and future use. Duncan and Martin were thanked for doing this.- It was noted that the sheep in field 7 for lambing had now been removed.	
<p>2. Finance Update: May Income</p> <p>£42,648.50 Scottish Government RPID £ 231.00 Small holding payment £ 45.00 Office rents</p> <p>£42,924.50</p> <p>Expenditure</p> <p>£43,500.00 Repayment of SIS Loan £ 20.00 CHAPS bank charge</p> <p>£43,520.00</p> <p>Bank Balance 8 May £3,005.81</p> <p>Bank Balance at 12 June £2,410.31</p> <p>While the SIS loan capital had been repaid, no interest had been charged yet for the 9 days in May, and we are still awaiting final statement from SIS. As our original loan agreement ran until end of June, Colin will chase up then. Repayment of a £2,000 personal loan also yet to be made. Finance associated with the footpath project will then be finalised.</p> <p>Georgie reported that 2 smallholding annual rents were unpaid and she had sent out reminders.</p> <p>In order to move to (partial) Online Banking, all Directors were required to complete Digital Direct Banking forms.</p>	<p><i>Georgie</i></p>

<p>These were circulated and completed. Georgie will complete the process with the Bank. We will still be unable to make BACS payments or make card purchases, but will be able to view the bank balance at any time.</p>	<p><i>Georgie</i></p>
<p>3. Annual Accounts 2016-17 Georgie had received the final Annual Accounts for 2016-17 from Voluntary Action and sent them to OSCR. Accounts circulated to Directors with this meeting agenda. They are available on request to anyone else.</p> <p>Georgie was thanked for her hard work on this, which has been very time consuming with much paperwork. This led to further discussion on Charitable status and the increasing workload to comply with various rules and regulations. It was agreed to continue to monitor this when this year's accounts are being prepared before recommending any change.</p>	
<p>4. Footpath Update</p> <p>Donation Boxes</p> <p>Two wooden donation boxes have been bought and Colin will install them at the locations previously agreed.</p> <p>Path Maintenance & Inspection Schedule</p> <p>Colin had still to produce a Path Maintenance & Inspection schedule ready meeting. He will write a draft and circulate for comment before the next meeting.</p> <p>Joe and Colin had both been cutting verges, but a longer term solution is needed. Duncan indicated he had access to a 'rough cut' mower which would be tried as more suitable.</p>	<p><i>Colin</i></p> <p><i>Duncan</i></p>
<p>5. General Data Protection Regulations</p> <p>A second letter had been sent out by email and 16 responses (of 43) received. It was agreed to send a further reminder, and possibly put a poster up at the Hall.</p> <p>Georgie had completed a Data Protection Policy paper for the Trust and this was discussed and adopted. Again, Georgie was thanked for her work on this.</p>	<p><i>Georgie & Lizzie</i></p>

<p>6. Land</p> <p>Damaged Bridge Martin and Duncan had inspected the bridge and concluded that a repair is possible by clearing fallen stones and re-building the headwalls. They will liaise on a work party to tackle this.</p>	<p><i>Martin & Duncan</i></p>
<p>7. Footpath 'Opening'</p> <p>It was agreed to respond to an email from Community Land Scotland that our event could be part of CLS 'Community Land Week' 11-19 August, and Colin would submit an expression of interest to CLS. We would go ahead even if not an official CLS event.</p> <p>It was agreed to hold our event on the afternoon of Saturday 18 August. The oldest Achmore resident would be invited to 'cut the ribbon' (Neil to organise). There would then be a 'guided' walk up to the allotment bridge area where a BBQ would be set up (Martin & Roddy) along with refreshments. Colin Parsons would be approached. Duncan would investigate Duck Racing and Georgie would liaise with Cubs/Scouts to invite them to be present and perhaps plan some sort of outdoor activities. It was agreed not to be too ambitious and we would finalise plans</p>	
<p>8. AOB</p> <p>The on-going question of Trust Membership will be discussed at the next meeting.</p>	

Date of next meeting: 10 July, Achmore Hall, at 7.30 pm

Colin thanked all for attending the meeting which closed at 9.00pm