

SGOIL AN IOCHDAIR AGUS A'CHOIMHEARSNACHD

Minutes of meeting of trustees 21st August 2018

Present

Peter Bird (Vice-chair)
Morag Ann Steele (treasurer)
Kate Dawson (Secretary)

Apologies

Mairi Bremner (Chairwoman)
Stephen MacAulay (Iochdar Saints)
Ronnie MacPhee (Trustee)

Minuted by Kate Dawson

1. **Welcome:** Peter welcomed everyone to the meeting ACTION

2. **Approval of Minutes (27th June):** The minutes were approved as drawn

PB, MAS

3. **New Items:**

- a. **Maintenance at Rudha Chlachain:** Hebridean Housing Partnership are proposing to undertake some maintenance at Rudha Chlachain. It is not clear what this will involve. SKD to contact Katie Walker at HHP to discuss further.
- b. **Big Lottery:** As a follow-up from the Big Lottery, we have been invited to apply for **The People's Project**. We will be able to apply for £50,000 to progress one of our projects. The application packs will be sent out next month. We agreed that we should apply for this funding. Our priority is the next phase of the football pitch (changing facilities and septic tank), a new project (trailer containing goals, other football training kit plus storage) or playground upgrade (see previous minutes) – SKD to start costing out in more detail in preparation for submitting a bid.
- c. **PRAEG:** This is a survey company that pays for participation. The money raised can be donated to charity, so we could use this to raise small amounts of money for SAIAAC. Members and trustees would need to sign up and cascade this on to others. We agreed that we would give this a go. <https://surveypraeg.com/naidheachdan/>

SKD

4. **Matters arising:**

- a. **Development of facilities at Iochdar School:** Proposal to meet up with key players (David Bagley, Pupil and parent council, SAIAAC, community council and Head Teacher) to look at existing facilities, to see what could be improved soon. In particular, we could see if the central dry area could be developed, improved and re-routed path, fit trail, etc. Morag Ann said she would liaise with Ann Graham HT to set this up. In addition, we agreed that we would participate in any meetings between different groups involved in the school
- b. **Repair of existing facilities:** KD to cost out paint, contact Joh Linich re painting. Some of the facilities require the attentions of a Joiner: MAS to send on list of local joiners. The play surfaces also need attention, which would need to be costed out. The sand at the playpark will need to be taken back to

the underlying surface: KD to look for costings for paint, joinery work, resurfacing.

- c. **New Trustees:** We reviewed our current trustee status. We are short of one trustee and we have two trustees that are not often at meetings. We discussed co-opting a trustee from the parent council– to be co-opted once discussed at parent council. Also, we talked about whether someone from the show committee would like to be involved on the board. (names that came up – David MacInnes, Lizanne Boyle, parent council members) – we did not agree on a name or who should contact them.
- d. **Storas Uibhist:** No word of the grant program – KD will continue to monitor
- e. **Benches:** The benches at Ardivachair are in need of paint. KD has contacted the joiner who made the benches concerning repairs. KD to contact J Linich for painting.
- f. **Pitch:** John Linich has continued to cut the grass, but hasn't rolled the pitch as it was in use for the show. Pitch fencing to be undertaken as a priority: MAS will contact DJ re this. KD will contact the hall committee about the next phase (septic tank). We are awaiting info from the lottery about funding for the drain and fencing.
- g. **Training trailer:** We discussed getting a training trailer, and whether we could get DIY le Donnie to build a trailer shelter. KD to find out more about training trailers, to contact Mary Ann Campbell (south) on facebook.
- h. **Engaging other groups:** We have not been able to meet with the Uist and Barra Football Association. Morag Ann will chase up her contacts. The current chair is John Doherty at Lochmaddy Hotel.
- i. **Paths:** We are not actively pursuing any footpath development. However, we are keen to support the community council with paths, cycle routes etc.

5. **Accounts:**

- a. **Giftaid:** MAS to find out how we can claim this: we are registered for this at HMRC but claiming mechanism was not passed on at original hand-over.

6. **Next meeting:**

The next meeting will be at the end of October, date to be agreed.

MAS