



<b>IoCCDT Meeting Jan 16th 2017 held in Canna House kitchen</b>			
<b>Minutes</b>			
<b>Present</b> Gerry Mackinnon Chair (GM), Donald Mackenzie Treasurer (DM), Liz Holden Secretary (LH), Winnie Mackinnon (WM), Pete Holden (PH), Chris DePlano (CD)			
<b>Apologies</b> Isebail Mackinnon			
<b>Minutes of the meeting held on Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 2016 were accepted</b>			
<b>Agenda items</b>	<b>Action agreed</b>	<b>Who</b>	<b>When</b>
<b>1. Matters arising from Oct 31st meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VAT on domestic fuel - Sheona Leonard (NTS Finance) has clarified the situation with regard to refunds.</li> <li>• Shop matters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ GM reported that there are rodent proof storage boxes in the barn loft</li> <li>○ Sale of CCTV</li> <li>○ Benches - winter indoor storage</li> <li>○ Shed work, painting, deep clean</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Lateral North - LH has tried to get in touch with the new contact (Graham Hogg) without success so far</li> <li>• MacMac grant application - not successful</li> </ul>	Sort out the boxes and make them available for stock storage Will be sold on Ebay and funds put back into the community funds GM has moved both into the barn Arrange a community work day  Leave this until more is known about the date that the new NTS property manager (Duncan Stevenson) will visit the island and a Community Meeting can be arranged (see AOB)	GM  CD  LH  LH  CD / LH	as stock arrives and shed is ready   March (or before if anybody wants to start) When know date of next NTS property manager visit to Canna

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community to discuss criteria for membership (see also AOB)</li> </ul>	Community Meeting (see AOB)		
<p><b>Finance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DM tabled a Finance Update sheet</li> <li>The balance in the shop and moorings account continues to be healthy</li> <li>LH asked if the second donation from the NTS Patrons had arrived and DM said that a cheque for around £500.00 was banked. It was agreed that the Community should discuss the use of these donations</li> <li>CD asked that all donations be itemised in the finance update sheet</li> </ul>	<p>Discuss at Community Meeting (see AOB)</p> <p>DM said that this would be no problem</p>	DM	for future meetings
<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nothing to report</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Pier duties, generators, water - update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DM thanked the NTS for the purchase of a new power washer which has hugely helped with the process of removing algae from the slipway</li> <li>Duncan Stevenson (DS) is looking in to the need for NW Marine to return to undertake snagging after their last visit to mend the pier fenders</li> <li>Generator No 3 lost the cover off its fuel filter, a problem now fixed. Otherwise the generators are working well</li> <li>DM reported that he had not heard any more from High Water who had arranged to give training on how to change filters so that it could be done by DM.</li> <li>PH asked that anybody in the community with water supply related problems should let him know</li> <li>DM reported that Chris Cassels and DS are to meet with Eddie Scott to pursue the Harbour Plan</li> </ul>	<p>Follow up</p> <p>This needs to be followed up by DS</p>	<p>DS</p> <p>PH / DM / DS</p> <p>community</p>	<p>asap</p> <p>asap</p>
<p><b>Canna Community Shop / Moorings update</b></p>			

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Everybody present agreed that the voluntary arrangements to keep the shop clean and stocked were working well. This might be more difficult to maintain during the visitor season and will need to be further discussed by the community</li> <li>• PH mentioned that when restocking shelves he had noticed that several items were approaching their best before date.</li> <li>• Thanks to everybody who spent time working outside the shop recently. The shop garden area has been tidied and also the shop gutters.</li> <li>• See also items under Matters Arising</li> <li>• Re Moorings, DM has made contact with Highland Council and Cromarty Firth Port Authority to get a better idea of how other organisations maintain their moorings.</li> </ul>	<p>Community Meeting to be arranged as above to discuss the continued management of the shop</p> <p>It was agreed to ask Isebaile how she would like to deal with this</p>	<p>LH</p> <p>LH</p>	<p>as above</p> <p>to contact asap</p>
<p><b>Hebnet - project update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PH reported that Ian Bolas (Hebnet) has been in touch with Alan Barrow (NTS) and is securing planning permission to erect a 3m lattice tower. This tower could be extended to 6m if the need arose.</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Sanday Road project - update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GM reported that two grant schemes (Mackintosh Fund and the Capitol Discretionary Fund) have been reapplied to and notice of receipt received. She is still waiting to hear of the outcome of the applications. GM also plans to resubmit a grant application to the Crofting Counties Agricultural Grant Scheme and submit to the Prince's Trust scheme when it reopens for 2017.</li> <li>• CD asked whether crowd funding might be an option. It could be an option if insufficient funding is raised from other sources.</li> </ul>	<p>Need to investigate whether this would contravene the conditions of existing applications and also which website would best suit the project needs if this option were</p>	<p>GM</p> <p>CD / GM</p>	<p>asap</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GM reported that another contractor to undertake the work has been found, as long as the CREE project goes ahead</li> </ul>	acted upon.		
<p><b>Marine Harvest - update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PH reported that subsequent to Marine Harvest arriving on Canna with the weather station to be placed above the proposed fish farm site, Alan Barrow has written to the organisation to establish the necessary permissions. No response from Marine Harvest as yet.</li> <li>CD would like to invite Dr. James Merryweather as an independent speaker to talk about the ecological impacts of open water fish farms</li> </ul>	Agreed	CD	asap
<p><b>CREE project - update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DM reported that the solicitors are still working on the leases and in negotiation with BIG Lottery over the terms and conditions of their grant. David Mitchell, an experienced contract administrator, is currently reviewing the SSE contract.</li> </ul>	Once we have feedback from David Mitchell and the solicitors, an IoCCDT Directors meeting will be convened to decide how to take the project forward		
<p><b>Use of Shearing Shed as a community space</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This is an informal project that has come about through a change of shearing practice, meaning that use of the shed is no longer a priority for the farm. Initially, an informal group of community members decided to see what could be achieved with a lick of paint. The results are remarkable!</li> <li>A brief project proposal has been requested by the NTS and PH will discuss this with Alan Barrow (NTS) later in the week.</li> <li>The situation regarding public liability insurance for occasional community / public use is being investigated.</li> <li>PH was asked to look into the possible options of space heaters. A donation from one of the NTS Patrons would make this possible. Gas models are noisy and would not be suitable</li> </ul>	<p>Speak to Alan Barrow</p> <p>Investigate existing insurance arrangements</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>LH / DM</p> <p>PH</p>	<p>later this week</p> <p>asap</p> <p>later this week</p>

<p>for meetings or talks and heaters powered by electricity might need professionally wiring in. This would mean that they would be more difficult to use at the range of venues that is currently used for events.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ideas to take this project forward, should be discussed by the Community.</li> <li>• All present at the meeting wished to thank Anna, Caroline, Craig, Murdo and Indi for the time that they have already put into this project</li> </ul>	<p>Arrange Community Meeting (see AOB)</p>	<p>LH</p>	
<p><b>Application to Mallaig Co-op for funds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LH has submitted an application to the Co-op to enter into their charity funding project whereby 3 organisations local to a Co-op (Mallaig in this instance) receive 1% of Mallaig Co-op shoppers 5% dividend for the period May - Sept 2017. We will not know if we are successful until April.</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Membership Applications</b> None received since the last meeting</p>			
<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Community Meeting will be called once a date is known for DS to come to Canna. Items for debate that have arisen via IoCCDT Director's meetings and previous Community Meetings are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Alteration of the criteria for IoCCDT membership?</li> <li>○ Review of the 2013 - 2018 Development Plan</li> <li>○ Taking forward the Shearing Shed project</li> <li>○ Running the shop through the season</li> <li>○ CREE</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Sound Archive Curator Residency. LH mentioned that Fiona Mackenzie has sent an email (16/01/2017) to the community explaining what is happening, where and when.</li> </ul>	<p>It was thought that time spent looking at the existing Development Plan so that the current community can decide what is still relevant, and what else might need to be included, would be a useful exercise so that everybody feels informed before the visit by DS. Once the date of the latter is known, a Community Meeting can be arranged</p>	<p>LH</p>	



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GM suggested that a Burns Supper could be held in the Shearing Shed. This was thought to be a good idea</li> <li>• CD asked that a list of community assets be drawn up with information about where items are stored and who, if anybody, needs to be asked before using.</li> <li>• CD asked if CalMac have any stats available to back up the apparent drop in visitor numbers during the Wednesday ferry stop-overs. CD wondered whether CalMac staff still promote Canna as a day trip option.</li> </ul>	<p>Send an email to the community to see who would be interested and then sort out who could do what.</p> <p>Agreed but would need to be regularly updated. This could also be an appendix for the revised 'Welcome to Canna' notes</p> <p>It was agreed to speak to Nancy at the Mallaig Harbour Authority</p>	<p>GM</p> <p>LH / CD</p> <p>DM</p>	<p>asap</p>
<p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It was decided to keep this open in the expectation that a date will be needed either for action on the CREE or for a visit by DS, whichever happens first.</li> </ul>		<p>LH</p>	