



## **Minutes of the AGM of the Isle of Canna Community Development Trust, held in the Shearing Shed on August 28th 2018**

**Present:** Gerry Mackinnon (GM), Murdo Jack (MJ), Liz Holden (LH), Winnie Mackinnon (WM), Isebail Mackinnon (IM), Anna Munro (AM), Gareth Cole (GC), Fiona Hutton (FH), Mike Butler (MB), Gillian Gibson (GG)

**1. Apologies:** Pete Holden, Craig Martin, Caroline Mackinnon (CM), Donald Mackenzie, Fiona Mackenzie, Nic Brown, Iain Dickie

**2. Minutes of the last AGM:** The minutes were tabled and accepted by the meeting. Proposed GM seconded IM.

### **3. Annual reports**

**3.1. Chairperson:** GM mentioned that several community members had left and thanked them for their contributions to Canna. Now looking forward to working alongside six new members of the community. Canna feels very positive despite some unpleasant media coverage in 2017: the community has learned to rise above such attention. CREE is moving toward completion and the Sanday Road is finished; two major projects for Canna, which have involved working together with many different people to make such good progress. The moorings have been performing well and the shop is well stocked and getting good feedback. The Shearing Shed now has a Public Entertainments License and a new floor. It has been well used in 2018 and it is wonderful to have this community space. Work undertaken on the pier by the NTS has made for a much tidier space. Visitor accommodation has increased and offers a variety of overnight options.

In the year ahead we are taking forward our updated Development Plan and hope eventually to fund a project based Development Officer.

**3.2. Treasurer:** AM's report covered the establishment of a second company limited by guarantee 'Canna Renewable Energy and Electrification Limited' trading as CREEL, to run the renewable energy project.

To assist with the payment of invoices, the four TSB accounts have been closed and three new online accounts opened with the Coop Bank.

The 2017-2018 accounts show a carry forward of liquid funds of £25,501.

The report briefly explained the funding raised for the CREE project manager (Jamie Adam of CES), the funding raised for the Sanday Road and in looking forward, stated that any further projects would have to be managed by a project manager as there is not the time or the expertise to take them forward within the current community.

The previous year (2016-17) accounts were not available at the 2017 AGM and were tabled for approval. These accounts were approved: proposed LH seconded GM. The accounts for 2017-18 were also tabled for approval. These accounts were approved: proposed IM seconded MB

### **4. Election of Directors / Officers**



GM explained that Alan Rankin is still exploring the possibility of NTS employees being able to stand as directors of the IoCCDT, but until finally resolved, we are taking the precautionary route of not proposing NTS employees as directors.

**4.1. Directors / co-opted directors:** the following were proposed and accepted by the meeting:

- Gerry Mackinnon proposed LH seconded WM
- Liz Holden proposed GM seconded FH
- Pete Holden proposed GM seconded IM
- Winnie Mackinnon proposed LH seconded GM
- Anna Munro proposed GM seconded MJ
- Isebail Mackinnon proposed LH seconded GC
- Fiona Hutton proposed AM seconded MJ
- Gareth Cole proposed MJ seconded GG

**4.2. Chairperson:** Gerry Mackinnon proposed LH seconded FH

**4.3. Treasurer:** Anna Munro proposed GM seconded MB

**4.4. Secretary:** Liz Holden proposed GM seconded MJ

**4.5. Retiring directors:** no retiring directors

**5. Working toward a development officer:** GM explained that available funding is currently aimed at development officers working on specific projects rather than taking on a range of different projects. Alan Rankin (AR) is happy with our updated Canna Development Plan and feels that the Coroghon Barn project would be ideal and could incorporate other elements such as the improved water supply that would underpin such a development. It would be useful to have a face to face meeting with HIE Development Officer Philip McCaharty, preferably on Canna, early on in the process and then necessary to find funding for a feasibility study. Fund raising for a development officer would follow on from this.

**A.P. LH to put together all the suggestions that have so far been made for possible uses of a Coroghon Barn development. This to be circulated to the community for the addition of any further ideas that they might have.**

**6. Marine Harvest:** Ben Hadfield of Marine Harvest has been in touch with the community about the possibility of coming to Canna to continue exploring the proposal for a fish farm off Canna. With so many new members of the community it was agreed that this would be useful. It is still felt that Marine Harvest should give us their Development Plan before the community takes a further vote on the matter.

**A.P. GM to contact Ben Hadfield**

**7. Any other business:**

**7.1.** LH thanked CM for another season working on the shop cleaning contract. This finishes at the end of August and IM will be drawing up a rota for volunteers to clean the shop and toilet until next summer.

**7.2.** LH reported that the apples in the garden are nearly ripe (some ready). Alan Rankin suggested that as long as folk liaise with Davy Fraser, there would not be problem with collecting the apples.

Liz Holden (IoCCDT Secretary)  
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