



IoCCDT Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 19th February 2025 at 4pm, The Inverter Shed

PRESENT: GERRY MACKINNON (GMK) (CHAIR), CAROLINE MARTIN (CM), AILEEN COLQUHOUN (AC), JANE BASER (JB), ANDREW PRENDERGAST (AP) (ONLINE), MARGARET WILLINGTON (MW) (MINUTES)

Agenda Item	Minute	Action Point & By Whom
1.Introductions and apologies	APOLOGIES: WINNIE MACKINNON (WMK), ISEBAIL MACKINNON (IMK), GARETH COLE (GC)	
2.Minutes of previous meeting	APPROVED	
3.Conflict of Interest	NONE	
4.Matters arising/Action points	Mobile Mast BNG - Lambing shed now in budget so this can be used for something else.	
	Dark Skies.	ALL to read VC's email.
	Moorings donation.	JB to speak to DP
5.Finance	AC circulated a bank statement ahead of the meeting.	
6.Development Manager update	Housing Development - We are now moving forward with Stage 4 up to Building Warrant. Looking at two tender routes - traditional and design & build. The successful contractor will work with C&B to look at cost savings. We have appointed several contractors for this stage - C&B (Architects), Caintech (Civil Engineering) and Fleming Engineering (Structural	

	Engineering). Agreement signed with Fleming today. We have enough funding to complete stage 4 and some spare funds for unforeseen costs.	
	Housing - Funding for construction - We will wait until we get the tender prices back to speak to potential funders. We are currently not in a position to put in firm funding bids.	
	SIMKP - AP is still liaising with the other Small Isles and Knoydart however all 5 communities have now agreed to take this forward. We will look at funding for a period of 2 years to get this set up.	
	Coroghan Barn - still waiting for planning. AP is following up with WTA but no major concerns have been raised. AP is working on the business plan and will hopefully have this by the end of the month.	
	Visitor Hub - The lease will start on 1st March. NTS has contacted our solicitor to confirm we are happy with the lease. GMK and CM have done some build up at the end of the disabled ramp. NHS H&S and Infection Control are now due out next week to do final checks.	MW to ask Karen Botten for the completion certificate.
	Rhu Church - Church of Scotland have confirmed they are happy with the wording of the Heads of Terms. We can now start looking at funding for feasibility study and move this forward.	
7.Canna Partnership update	CP Review was carried out. The next CP meeting is in March.	
8.NTS Budget	No further update.	
9.Projects		
a.Tourism Group	The last couple of meetings have been cancelled due to folk being away. We will pick this up again in March.	
b.Energy	The next meeting is on 25th February.	

c.Mobile Mast	MW updated the meeting on the most recent meeting with NTS and the mobile mast company. The lease is now with NTS and it is hoped it will go back to BT on 25th February. Alan Barrow will take the whole proposal to EXCO on 5th March for approval. Power - CREEL will have a separate meeting with BT/EE to finalise the agreement. Then CREEL will have a further meeting with NTS to sort out any leases etc that are needed for the upgrade works e.g. extension of solar array on ground behind Inverter Shed. Access Methodology - There will be a meeting with the Sanday crofters, the mobile mast company and Angus Murray, Nicky Downing and others to discuss access for the build and ongoing maintenance visits. This will be around mid-March in line with the lease. June 2025 is when they are hoping to start the build - it should take between 1-3 months with contractors coming and going with idle time between visits e.g. to let concrete cure. BNG - Biodiversity Net Gain - this is part of the planning conditions. The ecologist will do the scoring based on a 10% uplift. Nicky Downing is going to take this forward with GMK and TAIL. A further meeting may be required to finalise this.	
d.Dark Skies	VC has called a meeting on 3rd April to discuss Dark Skies decisions with the community.	
e.Puffin Trail	Marine Ply has been ordered - thank you AC. GMK suggested that we change the route of the puffin trail to the more coastal route following the quad track.	GMK to follow up with TAIL.
10.Administrator update	MW updated the meeting on recent activities. All agreed to Saturday 19th July for the new Visitor Hub opening date. All agreed to the visitor hub being put forward for Scotland's Landscape Charter.	MW to email CW re SLC.
	MW is putting together a funders booklet and will circulate for review	MW to add Finlay's Road to the booklet.
11.Island	Conditions Survey's have been carried out and copies of these will hopefully be available soon.	

Accommodation & properties		
	It has been agreed through the CP that Cafe Canna will be using the Square Caravan this season for staff accommodation.	
12.Community Enterprises - CREEL, Shop, Moorings	Shop - JB and AC have been revamping the shop and it is looking fantastic. AC is now working on the John Love postcard design with Anna M for t-towels, hoodies, t-shirts etc. Anna M is also working on a puffin stamp for use in the shop. All agreed that there should be an ode to John Love put up in the shop explaining to visitors about the design and who he was.	
	Moorings - GC is taking care of this and this will be done as and when Andy can come out.	
	Community Assistant - this position has been filled and AC will be in touch with them to sort out coming to Canna.	
13.AOB	MW asked if IOCCDT would be willing to help her with cost of Snorkel Guide training - all agreed.	