



Minutes of IoCCDT Meeting held on Wednesday 25th October 2023 at 4pm, The Inverter Shed

PRESENT: GERALDINE MACKINNON (GMK) (CHAIR), ISEBAIL MACKINNON (IMK), JANE BASER (JB), CAROLINE MARTIN (CM), GARETH COLE (GC), AILEEN COLQUHOUN (AC), MARGARET WILLINGTON, online (MW) (MINUTES)

Agenda Item	Minute	Action & by Whom
1.Introductions & apologies	Apologies: WINNIE MACKINNON (WMK), PETE HOLDEN (PH), ANDREW PRENDERGAST (AP)	
2.Mins of previous meeting	Approved	
3.Conflict of Interest	None	
4.Matters arising/AP's	Locogen - IMK has been in contact with CARES about the solutions in the Locogen report. Steve Wade to read the report and feedback. Steve Wade is hoping to visit Canna soon - waiting for possible dates.	
	Visitor Hub - IMK has contacted CARES to pick up on funding for PV's on Visitor Hub .	
	Wind Turbines - IMK has been in contact with SD Wind to put the cover back on the wind turbine. Warranty is 10 years for turbines.	
5.Finance	AC updated the meeting on the latest financial figures. Coroghan Barn - WTA invoice has been paid.	
	Shared Dropbox for IoCCDT accounts would be useful to keep everything in a central location.	IMK to invite AC to Dropbox.



	IoCCDT Budget	IMK and AP to meet to look at community budget
6.Development Manager update	AP sent a report ahead of the meeting.	
	Housing Plot Sales - MW has emailed the letter to Phil Long and his PA has responded acknowledgment.	MW to email AP to ask what plan of action is after Friday.
	Housing Plot Sales - Preemption. Willie Inglis (WI) acknowledged the gravity of the decision in the CP meeting. There is no option for the NTS to gift the land to the IoCCDT . AP is going ahead with the application to SLF and if it gets rejected then it demonstrates that both NTS and SLF are holding up the community from progressing.	
	Coroghan Barn - Drawings are up in the Shearing Shed for feedback.	MW to take photos and send feedback to WTA .
	Visitor Hub - Contractors coming Friday to Tuesday to start groundworks. They will be using the layby to store materials as well as having a welfare unit on site. The old shed has been cleared out.	
	Visitor Hub - Speyside contacted IMK through CREEL about connection to various services. e.g. water supply, connection to grid and internet. MJ has discussed water connection with Speyside. There is a pod available at the site for connection to grid. Speyside should speak to Ian Bolas at Hebnet about an internet connection.	
	Rhu Church - still waiting on final approval and heads of terms.	
7.Canna Partnership -	Meeting notes circulated after the meeting.	



update on AP's		
	The CP meeting was shorter than usual. The most important discussion was around the preemption for the housing plot sales. There is a commitment from NTS to get this resolved.	
	Mobile Mast - the BT team has visited Canna . Community to decide what we want. It was clear that NTS can't say no to the mobile mast but they can control certain parameters and this may cause a delay in installation. Alan Barrow is leading on this and is questioning the need for a "hop" mast for the Faerie Pools on Skye. IoCCDT to wait to hear back from Alan Barrow for an update.	
8.NTS Budget	CW sent through the budget for Canna . IMK had hoped to meet with her before she left but CW was unwell. MW circulated the budget to Directors. It would be helpful to get a statement of the endowment fund and list of transactions to date.	IMK to send CW follow up email with further questions.
9.Projects/sub groups		
a.Dark Skies	Duncan Lewis (DL) still working on this. The last application was shelved as it was taking too long. Support letters have been requested. When DL leaves, we will need to find someone to take this on. DL to do handover before he leaves.	MW to email the community to see who can take this on.
b.Tourism Group	MW is arranging the next meeting. Still waiting for next draft of proposal.	MW and IMK to compile list of everything to be done.
	Things we can do: Shearing Shed - put up information for visitors about development on Canna, donations boxes in more locations, information about renewables, meeting with Travel Trade and cruise boat visits, engage with smaller cruise boats, portraits of islanders and what they do, gather email addresses for a mailing list and donations.	



	MW has been sent dates from Wheelie Braw for a meeting	MW to send dates to Tourism Group.
c.HUG/HDG	Next meeting will be held w/b 27.11.23. Ron Bailey is visiting at the end of October. CW has stated that harbour post is priority. NC in temporary post until end of February. There was a discussion about what Ron Bailey could do to support. There is an end of November deadline for community feedback on staffing.	IMK to email NC for list of harbour duties
d.Highland Council	Plinth for skips	MW to follow up with HC on plinth
e.Decarbonisation	Locogen Report	ALL to read and feedback
	Glyn Young has sent an email about the future use of heat pumps at Canna House.	
10. Administrator update	MW updated meeting on Snorkel Trail	
11.NTS Staffing & Succession	As above Ranger role - this could be a possible community post. CW sent through agreement with MICT.	
	CW also discussed other maintenance posts within NTS at Inverewe and Corrieshallach. Ailsa Raeburn has been in contact with the Islands Team to see if there is any funding available. Ailsa Raeburn is going to write a small project proposal to help the community to look at the various options.	
12.Island Accommodation	IMK has emailed Sheona Leonard with accommodation requests for next year. NTS were non-committal about the Square for seasonal accommodation next year. The community has requested it for seasonal staff next year. Simpsons are due to come out of Caslum in April. There was a discussion around the use of The Bothy.	GC to send Cafe Canna accommodation request to SL.
13.Community	CREEL - Steve Wade has given feedback that the breaker is on L2. The compound still needs to cut down on usage. As far as we	

Enterprises - CREEL, Shop, Moorings	are aware the electric cooker is still installed and we need to establish if they are still using the 9kw showers. Up to 14kw could be drawn from the canteen alone. At the last power outage, the batteries were on 63% and looking at the draw on each loop, the east loop causes an increase of up to 30kw on the phases. Ian Mitchell and Steve Wade have been sent the spreadsheet from Glyn Young . There are Simpsons posters in each BB unit to explain to workers about the grid system.	
	CREEL - IMK has sent in accounts and VAT return. VC is now doing the bills. IMK is trying to get SD Wind to fix the turbine cover and look at the others. IMK currently doing the insurance for this year. IMK has asked Gary at SD Wind for the reports.	IMK to ask Steve Wade for maintenance reports
	Shop - Meeting was held. We are going to try and find a new system for ordering and accounts, improving the way moorings are paid for to keep separate from groceries, using kitchen space, new shelving with potential funding. Looked at creating a job description for the shop - there are elements of the job that could be split up for a community volunteer. The meeting discussed whether we need to employ a person to take on the shop.	IMK to write instructions for ordering
	Shop Shed - Murdo and Dougie discussed this. It may become complicated as GC leases land for Cafe Canna shed from NTS . It would be good to get as big a shed as possible with power to enable freezers to be installed. It was acknowledged that the shop is only going to get busier so better to future proof the shed requirements now rather than later.	JB to measure sheds and existing area.
	Shop - Recycling station - This is to be moved away from the current location. There is a sycamore tree that needs to be removed by the wall.	
	Honesty system - All agreed that using the honesty system for the laundry in the Visitor Hub is a good idea and ties in with the ethos of the island.	
14.AOB	Simpsons Road Use - It was suggested by a community member that Simpsons , seeing as they have used the road extensively, could contribute to the upkeep of the road. This might include hiring a roller and contributing some of the cost for the road upkeep.	
	Canna House - Update from the CP meeting is that the project is currently 3 weeks behind schedule. The focus now is getting the building watertight ahead of the winter months.	



	Kate's and Doirlinn Gable Ends - waiting for next stage to be completed. This work has highlighted that there is no one on island to check what work is being carried out and to a standard. This was raised at the CP but no system is currently in place.	
	Small Isles Cinema Kit is due to be returned in 2 weeks time. Speakers and stands belonging to the community have been found and set up. The old screen from St Columbas could be used. We would need to buy a projector.	
	DTAS Extension application - an application has been submitted to extend funding for Andrew and Margaret's posts.	
	The Bothy Project - Lesley at The Bothy Project has requested funding of £500 from IoCCDT to put towards the project. All agreed to funding.	