

Minutes of the meeting of Kilmoluag Liosmor 02.04.26 held in the Church House, Lismore

Present

Rosemary Barry (RB) notetaker, Catherine Forgivee (CF) Treasurer, Stephen Green (SG), Archie MacGillivray (AM), Mary MacDougall (MM), Sebastian Tombs (ST) Chair.

Apologies

Mandie Currie (MC)

Declarations of Interest

There had been a query concerning a potential conflict of interest with ST taking up his paid position at the Heritage Centre (CELM) in 'early April' but ST explained that he did not consider that there was a problem and reiterated his intention to remain as a Trustee until the AGM in May when he had publicised his intention to stand down.

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These had been previously circulated but RB provided copies for Trustees to read through and it was proposed by ST and seconded by CF and agreed nem con that they were a true and accurate record.

Action Points review and Matters Arising

A list of agreed actions from the March meeting had been previously circulated.

RB reported that:

- The minutes of past meetings were now up to date on the island website
- The community information had been put on hold
- The actions points had been circulated
- The leaflets were now in hand and were in the process of being placed in suitable positions. ST asked for the gratitude of the Board to be recorded for the hard work that had been put into the production of these and the excellent result.
- The small sale items from Catherine Davies priced at £4 each had been placed in the church the previous Saturday along with the leaflets and some scallop shells which were symbols of pilgrimage for visitors to take.

CF reported that:

- She still needed Douglas's DOB to complete the OSCR information
- There was still some confusion concerning who was the principal user for the bank account which appeared to be still with MC. ***It was agreed that the administrator would be switched to CF and ST removed.***
- The account name had been resolved
- She had obtained quotes from the NFU at different rebuilding costs and ***would continue to obtain insurance quotes at a variety of rebuilding amounts*** from 1.5 to 2 to 3 to 5 million.pounds. MM queried when the payment of insurance by Kilmoluag Liomor (KL) should begin and also what HES might suggest the building was insured for.
- The accounts had been completed and circulated and a ***draft would be sent to the accountants but there was a need to check some dates.***
- She had not been aware of the SCVO requirement but was assured that it just needed a log in to join and ***agreed to pursue this.***

SG reported that:

- The Aspiring Places website appeared to be almost defunct. ST suggested that it was still worth joining. **SG agreed to action the placing of basic information plus a picture.**
- He had continued with research on the ramp but the problem was that the steps were not straight but placed 'on a squint' which caused complications in the design. There followed a discussion about materials and the precise location of the ramp, possible costs and how temporary the ramp might be and the requirement for it to be custom made. AM queried whether it would need planning permission but it was not thought to be necessary if it was only temporary **CF to check this with A&B council.**
- He was continuing with work on the website. To set up Pay Pal all trustees needed to provide a copy of their driving licence or passport and a utility bill. **These to be sent to CF who would then liaise with SG.**
- The letterhead template had not been attempted yet. It was suggested the logo centrally placed at the top with the charity information and the registered address along the bottom.

MM reported that:

- There was a Kirk session on April 15th when she would enquire re the tokens and the charges for the use of the church for various occasions
- The roofer who had agreed to take on the job was currently working away

ST reported that:

- He had had a look at the potential compost toilet site and thought that where the current shed would be the best location.
- He had not followed up on the change of the principal person on the account.
- He had sent the insurance information to CF
- He had originally suggested to Liz Buckle that she attend this meeting to report on her research into funding opportunities but this had been put off because of the anticipated length. **CF volunteered to talk to Mairi about her take on funding possibilities.**
- He had not contacted the solicitor again and after discussion it was decided to leave this for now and if nothing had been heard, contact in a month's time.
- The matter of using the church for the Archaeology Day had been left with the Minister.
- He had passed his draft letter to the MP to RB for her to action
- The community info preparation was on hold at the moment. There was a mention of a Facebook post and the possibility of the end of the following week was suggested with **RB to compose and send to MM for uploading.**

Preparations for the AGM

There was a discussion as to what would be required and when. The Agenda, Trustee nomination forms and the Accounts were mentioned and the date of the 20th April pencilled in. which gave a week in hand before the due date of 2 weeks notice.

Planning for the role transition

ST had sent various documents to RB with a list of contacts and useful information going forward. He mentioned that there were some contacts he wished to write to in a personal capacity.

AoB

The forthcoming meeting with Historic Environment Scotland (HES) on April 27th in Edinburgh was discussed and SG, MM and CF expressed an interest in joining ST.

CF mentioned the possibility of carrying out some interim internal painting to improve the look of the church. ***ST to contact Murdo Culver and other members to consider who else might be potentially able to advise on this.***

ST enquired about the possibility of drone footage. ***CF to action***

RB mentioned the possibility of having some of Ann's booklets on the old churchyard gravestones available in the church as well as the Heritage Centre. ***RB to contact Katrina White.***

Date of next meeting

This was agreed to be four weeks' time, April 30th.

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