

IoCCDT Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 21st February at 4pm in The Inverter Shed

PRESENT: GERRY MACKINNON (GMK) (CHAIR), CAROLINE MARTIN (CM), JANE BASER (JB), WINNIE MACKINNON (AMK), GARETH COLE (GC), ANDREW PRENDERGAST (AP), MARGARET WILLINGTON (MW) (MINUTES)

Agenda item	Minute	Action point & by whom
1.Introductions & apologies	Apologies: ISEBAIL MACKINNON (IMK), AILEEN COLQUHOUN (AC)	
2.Minutes of previous meeting	Approved	
3.Conflict of Interest	None	
4.Matters arising/Action points	Action points: GMK contacted Derek Alexander, NTS, to confirm the date for archeology dig at the graveyard. DA and 3 volunteers will be in Canna from 8th to 13th April, staying at Burnbank.	MW to email community to see if anyone wants to join in.
	Vacant Property Policy - SL has final draft. AP has asked for final sight of the document once confirmed.	
5.Finance	AC will circulate a finance report once she is back in Canna.	
6.Development Manager update	Housing Design - C&B are finalising the designs including site works/landscapes. Decision to have no dormer windows confirmed. Once final ok has been confirmed from NTS then the designs will go to planning in late March. Rural & Island Housing Fund have £15,000 fund available for engineering input. Next stage is to get some tender prices to get a feel for construction costs then we can start applying for funding for construction.	
	Housing Plot Sale - NTS have agreed that IoCCDT do not need to sign the biosecurity plan before the plot sale goes	



through. We are now waiting for the final disposition.	
All agreed that C&B are very approachable and open to suggestions. They are working through what the planners need e.g disabled access. There have been no contentious issues from the NTS about the designs.	
Visitor Hub - another progress meeting has happened. Construction is ongoing. We are waiting for the outcome of the funding application through CARES for the PV array for the roof. AP is still talking to the NHS about the GP room lease. AP will keep pushing this along.	MW and IMK to discuss laundry progress.
Coroghan Barn - We have confirmed with the design team to move to stage 2 design to include an option of phasing the build if we need to. More work to be done on the bunkhouse design from various angles. Tamsin from WTA is out next week and will do another community workshop to get those details. The aim is to get the design ready for planning in May.	
Coroghan Barn - Heritage and Interpretation Plan - Meeting with Ann Tweedie. Agreed that the best way forward was to commission a heritage strategy which we have the budget for. That would then allow us to commission a full heritage and interpretation plan. AP has done a draft brief and MW has circulated to Directors to give feedback/comment.	
Coroghan Barn - There is funding from the Community Regeneration Fund (£15,000) towards some additional design work and also the maintenance and management plan. There is also funding from Historic Scotland which NTS are yet to apply for.	
Rhu Church - AP has got back to C of Scot with changes to Heads of Terms specifically requesting 5 years to get funding, and not the 2 years they asked for. C of Scot have come back and asked whether IoCCDT would be prepared to contribute towards the insurance and maintenance until funding is available. AP is yet to respond to this.	
Decarbonisation - CES have come back with a Canna grid action plan, pulling together all the things we can do over the next few years to improve the grid. There have been queries from Scene about the zuos boxes and the continuing data collection. It was agreed that a subgroup was needed to carry these various projects forward. This group could be split between IoCCDT and CREEL . Steve Wade is coming out in March.	MW to organise and set up a subgroup.



7.Canna Partnership - update	There hasn't been another CP meeting since the last IoCCDT meeting so not much to update. The next CP meeting is next Wednesday 28th February so if there is anything IoCCDT would like raised, speak to IMK or CM ahead of the meeting.	
8.NTS Budget	NTS budget presentation to the community next week.	
9.Projects/Subgroup s		
a.Dark Skies	VC has submitted the pre application application and is waiting to hear back.	
b.Tourism Group	Meetings are useful	
c.HUG/HDG	Next meeting is on April 10th.	
d.Highland Council	MW updated the meeting on school - still waiting for Fiona Sangster to arrange a visit. MW has emailed Mark Rodgers and Nicola Nixon to get school grounds maintenance contract details - nothing as yet.	
e.Decarbonisation	As above	
10. Administrator update	MW update the meeting on current activities	
11.NTS Staffing and Succession	SL is retiring in July 2024. Opportunity to ask at the CP if an operations manager is the best way forward and find out what NTS are thinking about the role.	IMK and CM to discuss at CP meeting.
	Common Grazing and Farm Succession - Meeting tomorrow with NTS to discuss this, GMK, IMK and MW to attend.	
12.Island Accommodation	The Square - Stevie Hanton is due out in March to carry out painting works. The house will have an HMO but it is dependent on recruitment in the coming weeks as to who will be in the house. The Gratetist Flame is also fitting a new wood burning stove in there.	



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	The Ranger role will be filled first and which house they go into will also be dependent on recruitment.	
	Cafe Canna is looking to have seasonal staff starting around April 1st.	IMK and CM to push CP on recruitment dates.
13.Events 2024	There are a number of events in Canna this year including: Cafe Canna book launch. GC is still unsure of plans but there may be a late April book launch in Canna. GC has ordered some of the books to be stocked in the shop. The Havana Film Festival will be in early Summer. VC is looking to organise another Beach Clean this Spring.	
14. Community Enterprises - CREEL, Shop, Moorings	CREEL - form subgroup. Shop - next development meeting on 11th March. Moorings - Annual checks have been completed, now waiting for the report.	
15.AOB	Lochaber National Park proposals - There was a discussion about the proposed national park including that Eigg all voted against it, poor deal for fishermen, infrastructure not there. Muck is also concerned. Camille is putting together a response from SICC.	
	Electricity outages - MW updated the meeting about the final load of Canna House. There was a discussion about the installation of breakers at the compound, Canna House and any new buildings. It was agreed that CREEL should meet first and decide on a plan of action, then send an email outlining the details. It can also be raised at the CP meeting.	MW to finalise CREEL meeting date