

Coigach Community Development Company

Directors' Meeting

Monday 23 October 2017 7pm

Coigach Community Hall, Lounge

Present: Iain Muir, (IFM, Chair), Iain Scott (JGS, Vice Chair), Steve Husband (SH), Phil Shaughnessy (PS). **In attendance:** Julia Campbell (JC, LDO), Abigail Anne Campbell (AAC, LDO)

Apologies: Ann Macleod, Alison Macleod

Declarations of interest: with the wind turbine now operational formal interests have been declared by directors Steve Husband, Alison Sinclair (Coigach Wind Power Ltd and Coigach Community CIC) and Julia Campbell who are all share-holders of Achiltibuie Common Grazings. JC is also on the board of Highland Small Communities Housing Trust

1. Welcome

2. **Minutes of last meeting** were proposed SH and seconded by JGS

3. **Matters Arising:** will be dealt with on agenda.

4. **Finance:** Management Accounts have been circulated. Action: JC to check HIE claims remittance for Harper Macleod & Great Glen Consultancy. Draft annual accounts have been circulated to the board. Comments had been received and fed back to A9 Accountants. Amended drafts were proposed for acceptance by IFM, seconded by SH and signed off by IFM.

5. **Governance:** AGM Action: JC/AAC to check distribution list and send out relevant documents when finalised accounts have been received back from A9 Accountants.

6. **Renewables:** CWP: Realise due to inspect and review the turbine in the near future. Action: SH to contact Sheridan Jenkins (Realise) to pursue. SIE loan to be repaid. Action: IS to email JC for payment. Green Energy Awards: IFM and Fraser Mackenzie to attend awards ceremony on November 30th. Open-day: Action: JC/AAC to attend to arrangements. Investigations into refinancing are ongoing. Finance will be raised either through loan plus share issue or through bonds. BMH: there will be no profit distribution from BMH until April 2018

(Alison Sinclair joins meeting and further discusses plans for open-day)

7. Land and Housing:

- Schoolhouse – SH to assess boundary wall Action: JC/AAC to investigate funds for full restoration of dry-stone dykes.
- Good Coigach representation at the recent Land Commission's 'engaging with community' event in Ullapool. Established under the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2016 the commission will advise the Scottish Government on how best to achieve benefits from land for all of Scotland's people.
- Smokehouse: Rachel Macleod has signed her lease. Action: JC to set up regular invoice.

8. **Piers and Harbours:** The Old Dornie harbour improvements feasibility study is now out to tender, there have been several expressions of interest and the deadline has been extended until November 3rd to allow questions to be answered .

9. **CALLP:** Projects proceeding. Awards for All funding application for Drumrunie gateway was not successful. AAC will investigate alternative funding, particularly CALLP Community Fund.

10. **AOCB: PS expressed the need for CCDC to pursue having a logo designed. Action: LDOs**

11. Date of next meetings: AGM 20th November 2017 7pm, Coigach Community Hall, Lounge