Minutes - Sunart Community Company Directors Board Meeting

Date: 14th November 2018 **Venue**: Fire Station, Strontian

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone and welcomed Alison Carmichael and Matt Simpkinson, the two new directors who were elected at the AGM on the 23rd October 2018.

Attending: J Tyldesley (JT) A/Chair, J Madden (JM), L Cameron (LC), A Carmichael (AC), M Simpkinson (MS), K Proctor (KP), J Jones (JJ) Secretary, K Campbell (KC)

Apologies: J Hilder (JH) Treasurer, C Millar-Craig (CMC), J MacKinnon (JMck), I Baker (IB) LDO

The Secretary explained that this was an abbreviated meeting to welcome the two new directors AC and MS, and the main item was the preparation and planning for the Christmas Auction on the 30th November. However, there was a matter that that had been raised with the Secretary by Robert Dunn concerning the management of the consultants engaged on the feasibility and viability survey of Longrigg Woodland which would need to be discussed. Finally, this meeting needed to conclude by 8 pm as the room was booked for a meeting of the two Common Grazings Committees.

2. Christmas Auction

There will be more limited options this year. It will be just the Community Company. The Village Hall is booked, the Occasion Licence for the bar has been granted and JH has set aside the drinks, etc for the bar. JmcK has offered to run the bar and KP offered to assist.

JJ will prepare posters for placing at the roadside approaches in the Village. As a result of a subsequent request from JT, JJ will produce a flyer for posting through people's doors and email this to other directors. JT will distribute these in Scotstown and Anaheilt. Might other directors print off some flyers and post them through doors, too. JJ will do Longrigg Road, Ardnastang, out towards Resipole, and Down to the village. Might KP, JMcK and perhaps D Barker do the village centre? Thank you.

Auction items:

JT will speak with Mrs Oddy about shortbread; John McDonald about venison; he will do mince pies

JJ will contact Murdo as he usually donates a bottle or two and email JH re Laudale for venison

JM will contact Gary at the Kilcamb Lodge, and Mary for cakes

KP will contact Michelle Hilder, and ask Izzy about possible music for the evening AC will email CMC to see if the school choir might perform a short session

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3. JJ presented the questions and points raised by Robert Dunn with regards the management of the consultants involved in the Longrigg Woodland feasibility project and said he would forward a copy of Robert's email.

After a discussion it was agreed that the Company have appointed a project manager for this work, Isobel, and she has assistance and guidance available as needed. That JJ can call a meeting of the Longrigg Working Group, which has met only once but Isobel has kept them informed of developments by email. And the Company offer to the group to co-opt a person to the Board for the duration of the consultants work, naturally this person must not have an "interest".

JJ will reply Robert on the actions agreed.

4. JJ proposed Chris Millar-Craig to be a co-opted director and this was agreed.

Next meeting: It was proposed to hold a meeting in December 2018, after the Christmas Auction has taken place: **TBA**