

Urras Oighreachd Chàrlabhaigh
CARLOWAY ESTATE TRUST
Zoom Meeting at 7.30pm

Date: 27th January 2021

Present: Jacqueline Ferguson, Neil Macarthur, Alex A. Macdonald, Murdo N. Maciver, Karen Maclean, Kenny John MacLennan, Derek Macleod, Dòmhnall Macleòid, Iain D. Macleod, Iain Norman Macleod,

In attendance: Sally Reynolds, Donald Mackinnon

1. **Apologies** – No apologies
2. **Declaration of interest** – none at present
3. **Minutes of previous meetings**

30th October – approved D Macleoid

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30th November Approved I D Macleod

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4. Matters Arising

EBikes trial has been postponed due to Covid restrictions. Hopefully a date in the summer can be arranged.

Crown Estate funding for Marine survey was unsuccessful.

Croft Rent notices would not be sent out until Anderson Macarthur office reopens.

5. **Broch.** The Chair welcomed Faye Macleod, a member of the team of consultants working on the Broch project and asked her to comment on the substantial report which had been circulated previously.

A useful discussion then ensued and it was agreed that the Board members would take some time to

- a. *consider the various options*
- b. *email Sally with thoughts and concerns*
- c. *have an early meeting to discuss them.*
- d. *decide on which options we think the consultants should take forward to a business plan.*
- e. *Meeting arranged for Wednesday 3rd February at 7 pm*

Some discussion also on difficulties of arranging a public consultation on any future plans. Sally offered to contact Doune residents in first instance.

Sally has put Broch project forward to CnES for a student placement award. The project is eligible, but dependent on Covid restrictions.

Asbestos Survey: No asbestos found

Building Conditions survey: Sound condition, a few cladding issues and general tidying up.

Valuation £30,000 includes building and car park.

6. AOB

Workshop project had received £4000 from crown estate for repairs. This meant a £750 shortfall in funding. Members agreed to make up this shortfall from core funds.

Carloway Community Project

Tenders had been sent out for work. A crowdfunder was being launched on 29th January, as well as a social media campaign. All agreed to raise awareness of this.

Board extended condolences to Noreen MacDonald on the passing of her husband, Ian.

Donald Mackinnon was congratulated on becoming Chair of the Scottish Crofting Federation,

The meeting closed with thanks to all the staff for working to such a high standard during these difficult times. The Chair also thanked the members for their support.

Broch meeting on **Wednesday 3rd February 2021 at 7 pm (zoom)**

The next full Board meeting - Wednesday 24th February 2021 7.30 pm (zoom)