



COLONSAY  
COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT  
COMPANY

Colonsay Community Development Company Board Meeting  
Public Minutes  
Thursday 9 November 2023

**1. Attendance and apologies**

Present: William Joll (WJ), Dannie Onn (DO), Darragh Keenaghan (DK), Helen Mann (HM), Will Young (WY), Callum Hay (CH)

Apologies: Andrew Abrahams (AA), Lesley McInnes (LM), Lindsay Chalmers (LC),

**2. Welcome of new board and co-opting directors**

DO welcomed Will Young to the board of directors. The re co-opting of the two directors, LM and LC was proposed by DO and seconded by HM. All agreed.

**3. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising**

Minutes agreed. There are still no details of the loan arrangement with Argyll & Bute Council. Finance matters are awaiting the final report from the auditors but no problems with the accounts were raised at the visit.

**4. Declarations of interest**

Crofting – DK and HM

**5. Briefing Note**

Circulated prior to the meeting. DO added that WHHA have recently confirmed their intention to complete the project, moving on to complete road and services as soon as possible. An engineer's visit last month should be followed by a tendering exercise November into December. That should lead to appointment of a contractor for advance works to commence in January. If all goes well, the houses themselves could be built during 2024. This will be added to the note for the record. There were no questions from the board.

**6. Scalasaig report**

Circulated prior to the meeting. TSL have returned to site, they are still to provide a programme for works and a possible completion date.

## **7. Moorings report**

Circulated prior to the meeting.

Ch report will be presented to MOWI in a meeting on 11 December, which will review the use of moorings and MOWI's role in servicing them.

The board discussed whether they should increase the mooring fees to match other local charges for moorings, it was decided to increase year on year rather than in one go.

The board approved the price increase to £17.40 for up to 24hr stay and no longer having a day rate.

## **8. Island Profile Update**

Up to date draft of the profile document and the profile questionnaire were circulated prior to the meeting.

DO reminded the board that they had had earlier concerns, this item is to seek the board approval to proceed with the project. To deliver the project within the set timescale and available budget Lizzie Keenaghan(LK) has reviewed the project. The project had stalled but has now been revived.

Discussions were had about concerns regarding Data Protection. CH suggested that the data protection process is better handled through the Scottish Government Islands Team. DO and LK to go back to Scot. Gov. to take responsibility and to sign off on the GDPR requirements.

Subject to the above the board approved to proceed with the project.

Feedback from directors will be welcomed. Further reports to follow.

## **9. AOCB**

**Fuel pump/Sales** – CH reports that CCDC broadband line has been disconnected by BT, with the effect that card payments for fuel were not possible. After 4 hours on the phone, BT admitted that they don't know what the problem is. Their system does acknowledge a service even though it has been used and paid for. A new contract will be issued, and CH will install a new router, probably on 15<sup>th</sup>. We have apologised to the shop and will arrange a time for swapping in the router. They are kindly recording sales on paper in the meantime.

**Bulletin** – DO proposes to issue to the community, with the key information on: Scalasaig; Uragaig Croft; Port Mor Developments; Audit and accounts; and inviting the community to get in Touch. The bulletin will be issued in the next week or so. CH was thanked for his efforts.

HM advised that the annual fee to the Scottish Association of Landlords is due at £321.00 for the year. They provide free advice and legal help. The treasurer agreed to the fee and the board agreed we should remain members.

**DONM**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2023 @ 7pm

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