Stronsay Development Trust

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Board Meeting on 13 January 2010 in the Community Centre at 19.30 Approved Minutes

Present: Malcolm Addison Julia Crocker Dave Fernley Nina Gleed Cora Goodram Sara Goodram Ian Stevenson John Steenton (Clerk) Tony Withers LDO Marion Macleod Powerdown Leza Haystead Admin

Apologies: Damian Stout

In Attendance:

Action

Welcome by Chair

The chair welcomed everyone, especially Sara Goodram and Nina Gleed on joining the board as appointed directors.

Minutes of the previous meeting

JC asked the board if the minutes of the meeting on 9th December were a true account. DF proposed that they were accurate and MA seconded, the minutes were formally approved.

Matters arising

JC reported that all the papers required by CRBS for our Disclosures process had been sent just before Christmas. The letter to NHS Orkney with our list of questions had been sent – copy was e-mailed to all directors.

Correspondence. None

Chair's Report.

The GP's visits on the weekend of Jan 9/10 to see Stronsay and view the surgery regarding the post of new doctor went very well. Representing the island were members of the SDT, Community Council and the Community Association. JC thanked CC and CA for playing host and organising the tours etc.

Possibly two planning meetings are needed for a review of the SDT Development plan. The SDT plan will become part of the new Community Plan which will include **JC** contributions from other community groups, primarily CC and CA. Revised dates suggestion is early March. The chair will contact VAO for 2 dates when they can come to facilitate.

JC

JC asked LH if she would leave the meeting while the secretary post was discussed.

LH left the room at 19.50 and returned at 20.00

JC explained to the board that although LH had taken on the job of Admin and Secretary from August 2009 till July 2010, there were several reasons why it was now difficult for her to take on the full secretary responsibility – which means that JC is still doing the job and is suffering from overload of voluntary hours.

The Trust has to have an official company secretary and JC asked the board to consider whether we should advertise for a secretary, whether we could afford it and if we had sufficient work to retain LH as Admin support until July.

The board was in agreement that we should advertise for a secretary and that we could afford an overlap of posts for a short period. LH will have ample work in support of LDO/CDO, Secretary and treasurer. We shall need to review in June.

Advert to be drafted

Secretary's report.

Revised AGM date is now confirmed as 13th May 2010. MA to contact and send **MA** accounts for preparation to The Long Partnership. The accounts will need to be approved by the board at the March meeting in order to give members the financial report with the AGM mailing in April.

As a reminder, our accounts need to be lodged with Companies House and OSCR by 31 May 2010.

LDO Report.

TW handed out copies of paper that had been sent to HIE – with outline plans for the haulage yard. He talked through various points and answered questions about this project. TW is to meet HIE Orkney and the Community Land Unit to discuss the plans and funding at the end of January.

TW had prepared a petition to be sent to SEPA about the outfall of untreated sewage on the village beach. The petition will be at Ebenezer Stores for signing.

Powerdown report.

Marion updated the board

The funding application for the Community Greenhouse has been completed and sent to CCF. The Community Association has offered some land at the football ground (owned by the CA) to be used for this project. The next stage is to apply for planning permission. There was discussion about the site for the greenhouse and the board suggested that we have more than one option. JC expressed the view that the CCF funding process meant that despite Marion's excellent application, the project appears rushed and the outcomes might not be achievable in the timescale. TW to apply for outline planning permission for a greenhouse on the haulage yard/other brown field sites near the village.

Powerdown is waiting for news on the previous funding application made to CCF in November for the Affordable Warmth project

Treasurer's report

- Arrangements have been made to take all finance papers to A. Long (Accountants) on Monday 18th January.
- A conditional Lottery, 'Awards for All', grant of £3840 has been offered for the Art project. The supplementary papers and contract required by the Lottery have now been sent off.

Sub Group reports. None

Any Other Business. None

Next meeting

Wednesday 17th February at 19.30 in the Community Hall.

Meeting closed at 21.15