

## Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust Board Meeting

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Conference call meeting 19.00

Present: Ian Wilson (IW), Fergus Christie (FC), Jane Clements (JC), Ailsa Raeburn (AR), Anne Shaw (AS), Stuart McNeill (SM) Brandon Clements (BC) Malcolm Henderson (MH), Linda MacDonald (LM), Hannah Fawcett (HF).

Minutes: Alexandra Vipurs

### 1. **Chair welcome & apologies.**

Ian Wilson welcomed everyone to the conference and the meeting was opened at 19:00.

### 2. **Finance update**

- Currently there is £45K in the IGHT current account, GTL has £79K in the current account; GREL has £120K; GGPL has £160K and a reserve of £22K.
- HF gave a feedback on developments with the accounts to date. HF is close to setting up the SAGE Cloud system. Users who are given limited access to the programme can be added to the SAGE accounts if required. This would allow Directors access to see an overview of raw data, profit and loss reports etc. Ian Wilson currently has access to the bank account via a card reader but a secondary director could be added to this. Hannah Fawcett to investigate this further.
- An application will be put in for the Third sector resilience fund to cover loses through missed rent etc. The Furlough payment scheme opened today and HF will support IGHT in claiming for this.

### 3. **COVID-19**

- Covid-19 continues to create challenging times. On Gigha, most residents are complying with current regulations although loneliness is an issue for some elderly residents. Internet access can also prove a barrier to social communication on the island. Further investigation into a more reliable internet connection needs to be a future priority.
- Argyll and Bute council are making contact with the elderly and vulnerable on Gigha (who have been issued with an NHS letter declaring them vulnerable), to offer a weekly food box.

### 4. **Development update**

AR summarised the Development update which was circulated to Directors by Jane Millar.

### 5. **Achamore Gardens update**

Bryony has started her new role in the gardens and is focusing on the walled garden. Thomas is currently assisting Bryony in the gardens. Income from the gardens this year is predicted to be lower than usual, although hopefully when it is able to reopen, visitors will be keen to visit, particularly in light of new developments which will have happened.

### 6. **Agriculture update**

- IGHT are awaiting information from Bidwell's about the issuing of the tenancy for land which has recently been let.
- IW provided Directors with an agricultural update.

### 7. **Correspondence**

Correspondence recently received was discussed.

### 8. **AOCB**

Meeting ended at 20:48

Next Board meeting: 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020 @ 19:00