

Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust Board Meeting

Monday 12th July 2021

Trust Office: 19.00

Present: Andzela Bajoruniene (AB), Fergus Christie (FC), Brandon Clements (BC), Jane Clements (JC), Ken Deacon (KD), Hannah Fawcett (HF), John Martin (JMar), Jane Millar (JM), Ian Pinniger (IP), Ian Wilson (IW)

Minutes: Alexandra Vipurs

Chair welcome & apologies

- IW opened the meeting. No apologies received.

GREL and GGPL update

- GREL is doing well and ahead of budget due to the increased price of electricity compared to last year.
- It is encouraging to see GGPL back in action, however it is only working at 50% whilst a temporary fix is in place. There is no further update from Enercon to obtain the technical report that is required for an insurance claim. FC noted that the insurance claim may not be successful, however we will continue to push on this. Enercon will only pay out approximately £20k for loss of production as GGPL has been running at less than 95% capacity. This does not take the loss of the Feed in Tariff into consideration. Triodos are aware of the situation and are not concerned at the moment. HF noted that GGPL has plenty of money in the bank, however IGHT will be impacted with reduced voted up donations. HF is keeping an eye on the finances.

JMar left the meeting.

Monthly Management Report (IGHT, GTL, GREL & GGPL)

- The most recent monthly management report was presented. This contains all financial information in one document with the most up-to-date figures including all profit/loss. As of the 08.07.2021, there is: £123,023.94 in the IGHT current account; £106,420.07 in the GTL account; £150,555.03 in GREL current account; and £237,294.06 in GGPL accounts.

Plots and valuations

- The Board agreed to arrange a meeting on 26th July 2021 to discuss plot sales. JM will source information from other communities ahead of the meeting.

Members meeting/AGM date

- 16th September 2021 has been pencilled in as the date for the AGM. This meeting will be held virtually this year due to the ongoing risks of Covid; the format will be reviewed moving forward to future meetings.

AOCB

- The Board would like to acknowledge the retirement of Anne Shaw with a bouquet of flowers along with a voucher.
- JMar raised concerns about the growth of vegetation on the road to the cemetery. This is the responsibility of Argyll and Bute Council and has not been maintained. The Board agreed to ask the Council to attend to this on their visit to cut the verges, as IGHT has arranged for the main road sides to be cut.

- FC raised the ongoing issue with the cattle grid near the Boathouse. IGHT will contact the Council regarding the unfinished surface and hanging gate surrounding this.
- The Trust will also contact the Council with regards to the bin collection as the bins are currently overflowing.
- The hub was raised. There are plans to have the portacabin cleaned and painted prior to purchasing equipment. Sponsorship of equipment will be made available should individuals wish to support in the purchase of equipment for the facility.

Meeting ended: 20:45

Next Board meeting: Monday 16th August 2021