

## Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust Board Meeting

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

Trust Office / Microsoft Teams: 19:00

Present: Fergus Christie (FC), Brandon Clements (BC), Jane Clements (JC), Ian Pinniger (IP), Ian Wilson (IW), John Martin (JMar) Andy Clements (AC), Hannah Fawcett (HF), Jane Millar (JM)

Minutes: Alexandra Vipurs

### 1. Chair welcome & apologies

IW welcomed the meeting. Apologies were received from Tim Lister for GREL/GGPL.

### 2. GREL & GGPL update

AC updated the Board on the wind turbines. Kerrie Grant from SKS Scotland is going to produce an options appraisal on the replacement of the Vestas V27s. The Options Appraisal is being funded through the HIE Framework.

Colin Anderson has asked for permission from IGHT to carry out a study on repowering the V27s; nothing will be published with regards to this.

JMar left the meeting at 19:35

### 3. Activity Centre - Craig Bott meeting

Craig Bott came into the Trust office at 19:35 to discuss the longer-term lease of the Activity Centre. The Trust has secured grants through the Gateway to Gigha Project and Island Community Fund to purchase 20 e-Bikes for the Activity Centre and purchase and install solar panels on the Activity Centre roof and the associated electrical supply required.

The Board agreed that Craig will continue to manage the Activity of the Centre on a three year lease (to be mutually agreed at a meeting between Craig Bott, HF and Shona B). A draft agreement with final details will be provided to the Board.

Craig left the meeting at 20:05.

### 4. Monthly management report

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 12.11.2021, there is £100,986.96 in the IGHT current account; £32,448.63 in the GTL account; £72,074.76 in the GREL current account; and £183,214.86 in GGPL accounts.

Future developments of the Community Hub were discussed. The Board agreed to paint the portacabin to preserve it further and use the £2,000 awarded by CalMac to purchase gym equipment. The cladding of the portacabin is an expense that hasn't been budgeted for this year and will be reviewed at a later date when funds are available.

The Board discussed future staffing commitments within Achamore Gardens.

- The Board approved to continue supporting 1 FTE Apprentice and 0.7 FTE Gardener, along with appointing a 1FTE Assistant Gardener in 2022.

The Tree Survey (part of the long term forestry plan) has been postponed until February/March 2022 due to Covid-19 affecting staffing within the Tree Story offices.

#### 5. Director Vacancies update

IW mentioned that HIE are aware many Boards are in similar situations where Members are not willing/able to come forward as Directors.

The Board will mention the vacancies and put out a call at the Members meeting.

#### 6. Members meeting update

A staff presentation has been prepared for the Members meeting. Members can virtually ask questions to the Board. Members were given the option to submit questions prior to the meeting although to date, none have been received.

Alexandra Vipurs left the meeting at 21:30

Meeting ended: 21.45

Next Board meeting: Monday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2021