

Isle of Gigha Heritage Trust Board Meeting
Monday 13th September 2021
Trust Office: 19.00

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

Minutes: Alexandra Vipurs

1. Chair welcome & apologies

IW opened the meeting.

2. Dark Skies Presentation

Keith Wilson gave a very informative talk about Dark Skies Gigha. This included the formation of the group to date and the importance of the dark skies around Gigha and the development of a Dark Skies Theatre at the north of island.

There were key points for the IGHT Board to consider with regards to promoting the island as a Dark Skies location, including:

- Adopting dark sky friendly policies to protect Gigha's night sky-specifically external lighting on IGHT properties and projects.
- Promoting Gigha as a dark sky friendly island on the IGHT website/pamphlet/video etc.
- Considering awarding businesses on Gigha with a dark sky friendly logo if they meet dark sky friendly lighting criteria.
- Moving towards international recognition of Gigha as a dark sky island.

The Board discussed the possibility of arranging a community business meeting where marketing Gigha as a Dark Skies island could be discussed – JM to discuss with Carly.

3. 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 09.09.2021, there is £72,391.49 in the IGHT current account; £115,370.79 in the GTL account; £148,124.13 in GREL account; and £207,393.98 in GGPL accounts.

Due to the increase in material costs, the cost of the development of the Community Hub is considerably more than expected.

4. Activity Centre

The Board recognised how well the Activity Centre has done this year.

5. Board Members

The number of Board members was discussed. 5 Directors is required for the Board to be quorate.

6. AOCB

- The Board discussed achieving Net Zero targets.
- IW has a call with Jenni Minto the MSP on Monday.
- The Board approved the decision to make plans to celebrate the 20th Anniversary, which may tie in with the new campsite opening.
- The Board approved the accounts for IGHT and subsidiaries.
- The Plot Policy and Plan was approved to include the Village plot.
- JM to draft a statement regarding Murder Island in case of any press enquiries.

Meeting ended: 21.15

Next Board meeting: Monday 18th October 2021 at 19:00