



## **Geàrr-chunntas UTS 29.4.14 – Mins of Meeting of SCT - 29.4.14**

**C of S Portacabin, 7.30 pm**

**An làthair – Present:** Ian MacDonald, Dougie Ross, Angus Ross, Sandy Ogilvie, Sine Gillespie, Hugh Ross

In attendance for 45 mins: Emma Nicolson (ATLAS Arts)

**Leisgeulan – Apologies:** Gordon Higgins and Donald MacDonald

### **Geàrr-chunntas mu dheireadh – Mins of Previous Meeting [8.4.14]**

- There were one or two blanks in the mins which perhaps Gordon can complete when he gets a chance. Subject to that, all were in agreement that they were in order.

### **Gnothaichean ag èirigh – Matters Arising**

- There were none that would not arise within Agenda.

### **Càirdeas le Iomairt na Gaidhealtachd - Relationship with HIE/Slipway**

- Donald has had official word from HIE [Sandra Dunbar] that he may stay on board of SCT so long as he does not take to do with funding applications to HIE.
- Hugh and Gordon will represent SCT instead of Donald.

### **Cidhe Stafainn – Staffin Slipway and Related Developments**

Various Feasibility Studies – Arising: Road & Marine Engineering Report

- Hugh requires a third quote to meet conditions of tendering process
- Seabed element of Marine Report removed from the brief. Need to get a hold of hydrographic study previously done in area.

Slipway sub-group is meeting imminently. Sandy raised concerns about niggling community feeling that perhaps a fish farm is up the sleeve of Skye Sea Harvest. An issue worth noting. However, it was also noted it takes seven years for a fish farm plan to go through.

- Gníomh/Action - SCT to discuss ownership, and bear in mind that SSH have all along said they will hand back the processing plant to community in 10 years' time. Talks required re the proposed building.

SSH want to develop a website to promote Slipway development. Hugh spoke to Phil McCaherty at HIE about it. SCT needs own website over and above the Ceumannan Ecomuseum one.

- Gníomh/Action – Hugh to look into setting up a basic 'Wordpress' website and also for SCT to take ownership of own website rather than relying on Lanetech for current Ceumannan one.

### **Ceumannan II**

- Coastal Communities Applic submitted by deadline of 30.4.14. Steve Westbrook had been asked for input on economic side, and advised need for more revenue funding.
- Gníomh – Dougie to compose email to Donald Kennedy to request he undertake assessment of costs of new Brogaig path.
- Gordon drawing up revised project timetable.

### **Cuimhneachadh nan Croitearan – The Staffin Crofters' Memorial**

- Emma Nicolson of ATLAS attended to give presentation.
- Creative Scot want to see a brief for prospective artists.
- Creat Scot have appointed lead officer for this project and Sarah Macintyre is in fact known to SCT from previous work placement in Staffin.
- Funding in arts budget for research visits to Scotland and to far north of Norway. Itinerary tabled of six day trip. Three will go – that is, Emma plus two from SCT. To meet timetable, need to go by Sept 2014.
- Gníomhan/Action – SG and Emma to circulate SCT with potential dates up to Sept 2014 (for daylight) for Norway visit and thereafter to pin down plans for trip. Two to be selected to go on trip
- Scottish trips to Skyescape and Little Sparta as well as Will Maclean's Lewis sculptures to be undertaken by Sept 2014
- Visits to Perthshire and Western Isles also to be planned for this summer.

### **An Stòr – The Storr**

- Hugh stressed August is important because that is when Highland councillors in Inverness are expected to make a decision on Storr when they consider planning officers' recommendations once the council receives the consultants' report on Storr. Important that SCT has input before that key report is produced.
- Gníomh/Action– SCT to feed into that report.
- Draft report for the council by Steve Westbrook is good, but options are broadly similar as to what was in SCT's own report last year. SCT keen to get a foothold in Storr to generate income for the community.
- Council willing to work in partnership with SCT.

**Leirmheas Taigheadais – Staffin Housing Survey**

- This is due soon
- Gníomh/Action – SG to phone Morven Taylor about this.

**Arainneachd, Cànan is Dualchas 2014 – Gaelic Course**

- Applications slow this year.

**Ionmhas – Accounts**

- Books had been lodged with D Rankin.

**Coi bhliadhna - AGM - 27.5.14**

- SCT and SSH will present to community about Slipway.
- Gníomh/Actn - SG to book Hall.
- SSH working up press release

**Admin**

- Hugh has purchased stationery.
- Gníomh – Hugh to price a new phone, which has an answering machine facility, for p/cabin.

**Coinneamhan 2014 – 2014 Meetings**

- [7.30 pm on the last Tuesday of each month except July & December ]
  - Dimàirt 27.5.14
  - Dimàirt 24.6.14
  - Dimàirt 26.8.14
  - Dimàirt 30.9.14
  - Dimàirt 28.10.14
  - Dimàirt 25.11.14