**MINUTES OF MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF ARISAIG COMMUNITY TRUST**

Tuesday 25 April 2017

Land Sea and Islands Centre 7 pm

**Present:** Hugh Cameron (Chair) Julie Gordon Gordon Stewart

Heather MacDougall Kate Mundell Rosemary Bridge (Minutes)

James Hilder (Sunart Community Company)

Peter Fleming

Pamela King (part of meeting)

**Apologies:** Iain Macniven

**DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** None

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (29 March 2017)** Alteration made to Bank Balance date and minutes then approved. Proposed: Heather MacDougall Seconded: Gordon Stewart

**MATTERS ARISING** **Arisaig Station Adoption** Planters to be worked on again this week. A query arose re establishing ownership of the grounds surrounding the station buildings. Scotrail and/or Network Rail.

**LSIC Phone lines/Broadband** – The change to a new provider is being progressed.

**TREASURER’S REPORT** Toilets £4345 Unrestricted £1430 Project Fund £7000 Playing Field £320 LSIC £17900

Other monies held: Gower Trust £3613 Bank Balance (24 April 2017) £33,741.28

Power rates on the toilets are high. Power supply - Gordon Stewart to source quotes with a view to securing more favourable rates.

The Retiral Collection from Bill Henderson’s Funeral, (for the LSIC), raised £1011. Rosemary Bridge to write letter of thanks to Mrs Henderson and family.

Arisaig and District Community Council are applying for a defibrillator for the village. In the interim period, the ACT Bank Account will hold the funds for this.

**INCOME GENERATION/POTENTIAL PROJECTS** The Awards for All application was unsuccessful. James Hilder provided guidance which might help directors to achieve more positive outcomes from the processing of future applications. Julie Gordon will look into possibilities for extending the use of the proposed storage facility along the lines of the “Men’s Shed” initiative. Also to be explored is the Jewson - Building Better Communities 2017 – initiative. Julie Gordon to take this forward prior to the closing date for applications - 5 May 2017. Currently no update on an application to the Rotary for funding towards toilet upgrade.

**LSIC EXTENSION** PLANS Following a meeting with a Sam Foster Architects representative, Directors discussed proposals for changes to the original plans. A further meeting will be held with the firm, outlining ACT’s preferred options, prior to the possible requirement for another planning application. A second community consultation on revised plans will be held.

**COMMUNITY HOUSING** James Hilder provided information on how this initiative has been progressed in other areas. Directors will continue to explore the potential role of ACT in this locality.

**TOILETS**  Peter Fleming presented toilet refurbishment plans to the Directors. Agreed that the work is progressed. A motion sensor will be installed in the urinals to cut water wastage.

**LSIC**  Continuing to be successful with a year on year increase in turnover.

**PLAYING FIELD** Outstanding work on the play area has now been completed. Grass seed and fertiliser are to be purchased and the gate locks attended to. Those present were requested to help with tidying up the field and surrounds – Tuesday 2 May 7 pm – 9 pm.

**PENSION** Initial teething problems experienced have now been sorted.

**WEBSITE** No current update.

**AOCB** ACT’s subscription for membership of the Development Trusts Association (£75), to be paid.

**NEW MEMBERSHIP** Directors approved new member – Peter Fleming (full membership)

**NEXT MEETING** Wednesday 7 June 2017 LSIC 7 pm