

SGOIL AN IOCHDAIR AGUS A'CHOIMHEARSNACHD

Minutes of meeting of trustees on 11th August 2006, 8pm Old Schoolhouse

Present

Kate Dawson (secretary)
Mairi Bremner (Trustee)
Howard Warner (Trustee)

Apologies

Norma MacIntyre (trustee)

1. Kate explained that this was a short meeting, to cover progress reports on projects, and also to make decisions about the contract for the playing fields, following receipt of the tender recommendations. Norma has been fully appraised of the decisions to be made and is happy to abide by the decisions of the other trustees.

2. Minutes of last meeting: These were approved.

3. Matters arising:

- a. Footpath: The Loch Skipport path has been finished, and work is due to start in Griminish imminently
- b. Walk leaflet: This has been printed, and copies are being circulated. Mairi and Howard took copies for the ferry etc.
- c. Cycle racks: Planning permission forms have been completed. Kate has drawn up agreements with the landowners to secure the sites. A local builder has provided us with a very competitive quote, and will be able to start once the planning permission has come through.
- d. Website project: We have been awarded £350, which is enough to cover the majority of the costs of the website. Any balance can be met out of our own funds, to a maximum of £50.
- e. Subscriptions and membership: Ongoing.
- f. Fundraising:
 - 50/50 club: decided not to proceed with this.
 - Spring/Summer Fair: The school raised over £1,000. £500 will be paid now, and further fund raising will take place next term.
 - Recycled Jewellery: ongoing
 - Car boot sale: Not yet organised
 - Garden open: This raised about £90
 - Fund raising ceilidh: possibly later this year, when dancing classes about to begin.
- g. Lankelly trust: Not interested in capital funding.

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- h. Football association: Very grateful for all information passed on, including CnES audit, and our old plans.
- i. Website: Nearly up and running

4. Accounts:

We have £84277.81 in the account at present. This includes £66,000 for Children in Need, £5,000 from our councillor.

Norma has all the paperwork from the inland revenue, and is submitting all this to Campbell, Stewart and MacLellan.

5. Playing fields:

- a. Funding: We have been awarded £8,000 by the Gannochy trust. Kate also met with WIE, who will be able to accept an application for 33% funding (£20,000) for the parts of the project on the leased land, (£60,000). The trustees signed the application form. Other applications pending:
 - Qinetiq
 - Hugh Fraser Trust
 - Jordan Charitable Foundation
- b. Plans: The tender plans were available; there were a couple of finer points that the trustees could like to clarify. In particular, the gates at the path by the turning circle appear to be kissing gates, which may not be suitable for wheelchair users. We also could only identify one litterbin. Kate will discuss this further with R Stubbington. KD
- c. Tender: Six companies submitted tenders for the project, of the lowest three; the council's offer is the best value for us. The council are able to be flexible about the tree planting, for instance, if we opted to have a community tree-planting day. Subject to clarification on the gates, we agreed to accept the council's tender. KD will prepare a letter. KD
- d. Costs: The council's tender for work is lower than the estimates. In addition, we will be ordering the trees and equipment ourselves, to keep costs down. This has reduced the total costs to just below £220,000. If WIE fund us to the tune of £20,000, we are only £12,500 short of our total. We have 94% of the money. Howard will chase up Qinetiq for their answer. KD
- e. Publicity: Mairi has nominated Kate for an award, that will raise the profile of the project
- f. Community involvement: We have around 900 trees going in to the project. We agreed that we would ask people to 'sponsor a tree' and perhaps get involved with the tree planting.

6. Date of next full meeting: Tuesday 5th September 7:30pm