

# The Glendale Trust

## MINUTES OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020, 19:00  
Online via Zoom meeting

### Present:

Clare Gray                      Brian Smith                      Andrew Kiss                      Graham Davies

### Apologies:

None

### Adoption of minutes

Minutes from 05-Feb-2020 accepted.

### Matters Arising

#### 1. Previous meeting – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2020

a. The meeting was cancelled as the meeting could not be quorate. Andrew & Clare attended the hall to advise members and a notice was posted, however there were no attendees.

#### 2. Membership

a. Following the meeting of the 5<sup>th</sup> February, no further communication was received from Nigel Redfern regarding the possible delivery of membership forms.

b. Members of the board met separately with representatives from DTAS (Development Trusts Association Scotland), HIE (Highlands and Islands Enterprise) and The Big Lottery to review the means by which the board ascertained a valid membership. The hardcopy list received from Elgar Finlay (at the handover between directors) was deemed to be wholly inaccurate. n.b. this included names of people who no longer lived, had not lived or had moved away from the Glen, or who had passed away. The officials from the aforementioned organisations all concurred that the actions taken by the current board were entirely necessary, reasonable and legal. Therefore the decision taken regarding Borrodale School, following the AGM, stands.

#### 3. Meanish Pier Project – Legal Fees

a. Clare explained that The Trust's finances are in a difficult position. Because of the protracted dialogue between The Trust's solicitors (Andersen Strathern) and The Crown Estate Scotland's solicitors, the fees have increased to the extent that the Trust is now faced with a shortfall of £1,895.62. The Trust will therefore seek an overdraft/loan to allow fees to be paid pending the income from Kames. The income will be backdated two years.

#### 4. Borrodale

a. Further to the meeting of 5th February, the board has not received any proposals other than those discussed

b. Highland Communities Trust (HCT, formerly Highland Small Communities Housing Trust) is considering a new scheme, whereby properties of historic and sentimental relevance to a community, which would otherwise be considered uneconomic for development, are repurposed/renovated. HCT, therefore, is investigating funding opportunities; The Trust anticipates feedback "...in the next few weeks." per HCT. (CG)

#### 5. Community Hall

a. The board was saddened to learn of the passing of Jan Perry. A card is to be sent to her husband, Dave. (AK)

**6. Date of next meeting**

a. A Zoom meeting will be set up on conclusion of the Meanish pier agreements – this should be in early October 2020

The Chair thanked the members for their attendance; meeting closed