

ISLE OF LUING COMMUNITY TRUST
Minutes of the Meeting held at 23 Cullipool on 14 January 2008

Present

A Fleming (Chairman), J Robertson (Vice Chairman), P Hooper (Secretary), M Barlow (Treasurer), D Mackenzie, J MacLachlan.

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1	Apologies There were no apologies	
2	Minutes The minutes from the meeting held on 13 August 2007 were read and adopted	
3	Matters arising and Agenda review The directors have received the amended constitution from Luing First Responders. This was accepted and the First Responders are now a sub group of the Trust.	
4	Officers Report MB reported that the balance in the current account is £6391.95. £701 had to be repaid to SNH because the Trust had been overpaid during the funding for the panels and the walk leaflets. The accounts will be submitted to J Ainslie and will be audited by an independent auditor before the AGM .	MB
5	Heritage Project PH gave an update on the present state of the panel installations. The installations at Toberonochy, the graveyard and South Cuan were complete. Further work is necessary on the plinths in Cullipool but the plinth at the Millenium Cairn is ready for its panel. Blackmill Bay, the Church, Cullipool Hall and North Cuan have still to be started. It was thought that another 4 weeks would see the project complete. MB said that the walk leaflets were with the printers for a second test run to ensure that no problems would be found when the final print run was made. AF reported that the benches had been sited but that the picnic table sites would be changed to see if their use could be encouraged. He also said that he had been approached on the matter of providing litter bins at these sites. It was felt that people should be encouraged to take their litter home and small plaques will be attached to the tables to that effect. It was agreed to keep this item under review.	
6	Museum building project AF gave a resume of course that he attended at Cassiltoun Trust in Glasgow on Managing a Build Project. He presented very comprehensive notes on each session of the course, which will be a valuable aide memoir for the Engine Shed project. There were many lessons to be learned but that the final result really was worth the effort. JR had received a preliminary brief from Shauna Cameron outlining the allocation of the internal space. This had been submitted to the History Group and their comments along with those of the Directors were returned to the architect. This brief will form the basis for a set of plans for the project and it is hoped that these will be received by the end of February. AF, PH and J Galbraith are meeting Carlo Beuger, the new chief executive of the Nadair Trust on 18 Jan 2008. He is coming to Luing to talk about the Engine Shed project and to discuss the new role that Nadair has now in helping Trusts to raise funds.	

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7	<p>Affordable Housing JR reported that the West Highland Housing Association had contacted him to say that the land opposite 29 to 33 Cullipool was in their opinion not suitable for their purposes because of the cost of putting in the access and infrastructure needed. They were however going ahead on the land north of Scaraben with trial pits to assess ground stability.</p> <p>AF has replied to DTAS expressing an interesting in their Affordable Housing and Development Trust initiative.</p>	
8	<p>Argyll and Bute Social Enterprise Network ABSEN have various relevant courses in the near future but no one was able to go.</p> <p>Scottish Islands Federation SIF has been formed from the Scottish Islands Network and is arranging its next conference in April to take place in Orkney. Transport will be available from Oban. AF has been asked to be a member of the committee and has agreed to stand. A report on the AGM, held on 15 and 16 November 2007 in Craignure, was given by AF and PH. The Federation's key objective is to represent the interests of all the Scottish islands at regional, national and European levels. The future does look promising but it will depend on the islands support and whether the appropriate level of funding will be available.</p>	
9	<p>Annual General Meeting It was agreed that a date towards the end of April or the beginning of May should be considered. This should coincide with the updated plans for the Engine Shed project being available.</p> <p>AF suggested an evening launch for the completed panels and walk leaflets and PH was asked to organise this. An official launch for funding bodies would be held during the preceding week.</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>AF</p>
10	<p>Any other competent business There was no other business.</p>	
11	<p>Date of next meeting This will be arranged when the timescales for the Engine Shed plans are known.</p>	