

# The Glendale Trust

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## Minutes of Directors Meeting

15<sup>th</sup> March 2014

### The Glendale Community Hall

**Present:** Gordon Thomson (GT), Richard Powell (RP), Anna Tolhurst(AT), Elspeth Knight(EK), Joy Talbot (JT), Raymond Coughlin (RC), Ocean Graham.

1	<b>Apologies:</b> Graham Davies, Elgar Finlay	
2	<b>Minutes</b> adopted with amendments: Proposed Anna Tolhurst, seconded Gordon Thomson	
3	<p><b>Matters arising:</b> The results of the phone survey about the Borrodale School project was independently conducted by Michelle. Results of 176 responses: 52% Yes, 26% No, 24% No strong views. The results will be placed in the Post Office, the GT website and Andy Stables website the notice boards.</p> <p>That is a positive outcome from the survey, Joy has written to the council with notice of interest to purchase the School. The council are aware that we are applying for funding.</p> <p>William MacKinnon – Ward Manager, will discuss the price on the school meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> May and we can record for the funders, the Scottish Land Fund, that positive progress is under way.</p> <p>Dualchas have been appointed as architects for the school project as they have completed a topographic and building survey and their quote was more inclusive.</p> <p>Michael Smith from the Three Chimneys will advise on kitchen layout. GT will look at the funding criteria with regard to the business plan with Jean and Elgar</p> <p>There will be an open Day to examine the plans in the Hall with Dualchas in due course.</p>	RP
4	<p><b>LDO Report:</b></p> <p><b>Meanish Pier Project:</b> A positive meeting was held with the Pier Group on 21<sup>st</sup> Jan. It was Agreed to complete Stage 1 growing Community Asset funding application. If the funders agree in principle there will be a 'development stage' which will require funding to complete. Several other funders including HIE and Crown Estate have indicated that if the case is sound they could provide matching funding for the project.</p> <p>The Glendale Estate have discussed the use of the pier store in the project. After an understanding of how the GEMC can be involved either through partnership or lease agreement the stage once application will be submitted.</p> <p>It has been agreed that the working group will source and price a sign for the area which will inform the users of risks and that the area is under community ownership. A donation box will also be priced. The Glendale</p>	

community council has been approached to see if they can fund the signage.

The lease needs to be signed by the GT and returned with £120

**Community Development Plan:** Will be redrafted and updated.

**Housing Feasibility:** Ronnie McRae of the Highlands Small Community Housing Trust has agreed to help develop the project.

Rural Housing Service are also working to identify various housing proposals which can be developed for under £100k per unit.

The GT will publish the feasibility study.

**Borrodale School Project:**

Engaged consultant, Michelle, to complete the community survey.

Commissioned Dualchas as planning and design team, which will also include help with funding applications

Willie MacKinnon Ward Manager for Highland Council will develop a case for the community to obtain best value (BV) in the transfer of the asset from highland Council. Willie will resent the case for the HC asset management board.

Keys picked up to provide access to engineers and surveyors.

**Heritage Project:** Carried over, completed new draft for review by the heritage lotter. Need to add more detail re. Benefits to community and local involvement. This may now be potentially aligned with the Borrodale School Project as the heritage exhibition will be displayed in the Hub.

**Farmers Market:** Feasibility funding application submitted for £10,000 to Investing in Ideas - Big Lottery Fund. Decision due April or May.

**Broadband and PC use:** Delivered a very informal taster session with ipads for the lunch club. Provided 20 hours of IT training for 3 attendees in 4 sessions. Completed invoice and report for Citizens Online.

Organised date with Dunvegan School 25<sup>th</sup> March for 15 children to be bused to Glendale for online safety training.

**Glendale Transport:** Arranged meeting with Struan. Arranged meeting with Sheila Fletcher community transport Scotland who was impressed by the report carried out. The aim is to develop a plan in order to deliver the community transport service for Glendale.

**Support for the Elderly:** Met with Karen McRae who has suggested several ideas which may help with support for the elderly in Glendale. This included but is not limited to, Men's Shed concept, Large teapot for lunch club, hearing loop for the hall and day trips.

**Protection of Loch Pooltiel:** Awaiting planning procedure to run its course.

**Dark Sky Registration and promotion:** Application forms are nearly completed, they require support from landowners and experts.

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**Financial situation** at 14<sup>th</sup> March 2014.

The balance on last statement is £7422.48. Angela will put together the financial report for the AGM.

We really do need to get an accountant. Elgar will endeavour to find one.

Payments due:

Fees for lease of Crown Estate £120

HMRC £1887.20

Angela

Elgar

	<p>Michelle £500  LDO salary £1650  Hall fees for broadband £200  Companies House Fine £150  Incoming is £500 for IT course  There will be another claim in April for £7000 + LDO salary and Jean £3500  Michelles fees will be reimbursed</p>	
6	<p><b>Newsletter:</b> Elly contacted local business with regard to advertising in the Glendale News and Views. 7 companies chose to take the reduced offer on 4 adverts. Ocean will make up invoices.</p>	
7	<p><b>The Homecoming:</b> The Band is booked</p>	
8	<p><b>AGM:</b> The Hall is booked for 3pm on 29<sup>th</sup> March Tea and cakes from 2.40pm, each committee member will bring a plate of nibbles. Elgar will bring coffee, tea, sugar and milk.</p>	everyone
9	<p><b>AOCB:</b>The Food Link van is meeting at the Red Roof, Elly is running the taste of local food event,  We can hire out the services of the LDO to other groups as a paid service.  Elgar works incredibly hard for this community and we are grateful to him.  Ocean is retiring as minute secretary.</p>	Elly
10	<p><b>The next Meeting:</b> Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April, 3pm Glendale Community Hall.</p>	