

Board Meeting – Minutes
Wednesday, 4th October 2023 at Barskaig



Present: Neil Gillon (NG - Chair), Isobel Ringrose (IR), Doreen Sherry (DS), Graham Brady, David Irvine (DI), Ed Connon (EC)

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies from Bob Muir and Willie Forey. No public present.

2. Minutes of last meeting

September Board Meeting - minutes approved (proposed by IR, seconded by DI).

3. Matters Arising (not included elsewhere on agenda)

See updated actions tracker.

4. Correspondence

Workshops funding confirmed and invitations issued – initial responses from BCA, BCSC, ST (Yoga & BPC), IK (Barr Teas), WG (Monday Club & Crafts Group), and BBA.

SAC (CL) re CAT2 application & Constitution – comments will be addressed following Workshops and before final submission (EC).

DTAS (CA + JM) re Business Plan / Governance - address comments following Workshops (EC).

SSE re Barr Legacy Fund – Single strategic project purpose confirmed, not managed by FS, demonstrate community support, confirm BCC support (EC).

FS re grant reports – request meeting with Linda West to clarify requirements (EC/DS).

BCC (TW) re retraction request – no need to remove or retract, suggest BCC can provide an updated position if changed (DI/NG).

BCC (TW) re Stage 2 complaint - "BCC removing previous 'courtesy' so that the SCIO trustees' complaint is no longer recognised by the BCC" – no reply needed but forward to SAC.

5. Treasurer's report & funding

Monthly accounts presented by DI. £4,927.41 balance at 4/10/23 inc. £782.26 unreserved.

6. Business Plan and CAT application

General discussion of fundraising opportunities for groups (including BCA) –SCIO will offer support, Hub will create improved space for groups to flourish, longer term lease of Hub space by groups or individuals is an option, nothing to prevent BCA continuing to run fundraising events, alternative governance models welcomed if presented with supporting business case – aim to follow up at Workshops.

7. Membership & Communications

General discussion on communication of Workshop outcomes (CMcN report) to ensure all residents kept fully informed (DS/RM).

8. Any Other Business

Contact CMcN to confirm SCIO trustees' role at Workshops (information providers) and CMcN to ensure reasonable flexibility on Workshop agendas and timings (DI).

Request SAC support to secure hall access for Workshops (EC).

Possible Greenspaces small grants application – request more details, must meet charitable purposes (DS).

Date of next meeting: 1st November 2023 in village hall (if available).