Isle of Bute Trust (IOBT) Trustees Meeting:19.30 on 22 Oct 15 (Black Bull)

RECORD OF DECISIONS

Attendance			
Name	Representing	Role	
Alisdair Johnston (ADJ)	IOBT	Project Officer/Temp Chairman	
Marlene Hill (MH)	For Bute	Trustee – Small Business	
Iain Donald (ID)	IOBT	Trustee - Treasurer	
Jean Moffat (JM)	IOBT	Trustee –Publicity/Kilchattan Bay	
Alasdair Green	Self – interested party		
Sandy Ogilvy	Self -potential Trustee		

Item	Discussion	Decisions/Actions
1. Introduction	ADJ. Apologies Paul Duffy and Andy Walters.	
2. Actions Outstanding		
a. Replacement Trustee	Sandy Ogilvie (SO) introduced self; agreed to join as trustee forthwith. Would represent Port Bannatyne.	SO – Read constitution etc on website, and confirm happy with content. This link.
	Alasdair Green introduced himself as a newcomer to Bute, but not to Island life. Interested in work of IOBT. Would consider further.	ADJ. Monitor.
b. Calendar	ADJ. Discussions of merits or otherwise of calendar. (MH – lots of interest, more advertising potential).(ADJ Keen to reduce costs of publication). All: May need different format for summer season. (Background for SO: Live calendar is here – printout is here).	Decision: Run calendar for 6 months. Max cost £300. Actions: ADJ. Investigate lower cost options. MH. Continue to drum up advertising. All. Publicise Calendar.
3. Finance	ID/ADJ. To ensure good governance, from Nov meeting onwards, ID would produce a hard copy of bank statement for Trustees to review.	ID. Will need to sign-up for online banking.
4. Existing Projects		
a. Empty Shops.	ADJ. Bay Café – way forward. This project was ready to go and needed some preliminary works before redecoration could take place. Scott Robinson may be willing to help.	MH. Put Scott Robinson in touch with ADJ.
b. Ambulance Shelter c.	ADJ. The funding bid for Town Centre Community Capital Fund had been submitted by IOBT on behalf of Bute Community Council to the Scottish Government(SG) to include an ambulance shelter on the pier and modifications to the Victorian toilets to render them more visitor friendly. These works were	All. Await outcome of funding bid.

7. AOBa. Date of Next meeting.Thu 19 Nov 15; 1930 inBlack Bull	AII.	
	Discussion on web-based fundraising. Decide to avoid "JustGiving" platform and continue with PayPal. Website seen as fit for purpose. Facebook "likes" steady. Background: Facebook Page is here :	JM . Investigate "Ebay for Charity"
6. Publicity and Fundraising	JM. Ceilidh update. Ceilidh scheduled for Nov 27 had been cancelled. Would review the situation next month, with a view to rescheduling for Mar 16.	MH. Costings for insurance please. Actions: JM to keep under review.
	Guildford Square as a pop-up shop. Limiting factor was that this had not been operated as a shop for at least 10 years, and was currently on the Council Asset Register as a Store. Changing it to a shop would be expensive and time-consuming. However, we may be able to achieve what we need without change of use. Insurance would be an issue, and we needed to cost this properly.	prepared to offer up to £400 pa (plus water rates). for shop on a "call-off" basis of one month. Actions. ADJ. Negotiate with A&B Council.
b. Pop-Up Shop.	the Victorian Toilets) it was decided to play this cautiously. A&B Council had been approached regarding use of the former Community Hub in	Decision : Continue with negotiations. IOBT
a. Victorian Toilets.	ADJ. In the event SG turned down our bid, it was possible to do some lesser works to achieve 24/7 opening of the Victorian Toilets. Est cost £5k. Given the uncertainty of the Local Govt funding provision (which supports	Decision : Monitor position, pending A&B Council spending review.
5. Proposed New Projects.	costed at £12k and £14.5k respectively. A decision was expected by the end of Oct 15, with the monies to be drawn down by 31 Mar 16. Some discussion about murals and noticeboards for ambulance shelter. Need to wait until decision from SG. But Ambulance Shelter should not be an eyesore.	