

**Isle of Bute Trust (IOBT) Trustees Meeting:19.30 on 18 Feb 16 (Black Bull)**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS**

<b>Attendance</b>		
<b>Name</b>	<b>Representing</b>	<b>Role</b>
Alisdair Johnston (ADJ)	IOBT	Project Officer/ Chairman
Marlene Hill (MH)	For Bute	Trustee – Small Business
Iain Donald (ID)	IOBT	Trustee - Treasurer
Jean Moffat (JM)	IOBT	Trustee –Publicity/Kilchattan Bay/BCC
Alasdair Green (AG)	Self	
Sandy Ogilvy (SO)	IOBT	Trustee – North Bute
Craig Borland (CB)	Buteman	Observer

<b>Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action/Lead</b>
<b>1. Introduction</b>	There had been no apologies.	
<b>2. Actions Outstanding</b>	We had been unable, for legal reasons, to window-dress the former McIntrye delicatessen in Montague St. The old radio shop, next to 3-in-One, had been acquired, and would be used for “upcycling” furniture. The former “Bute Bathrooms” in West Princess St was now up for auction. MH had not managed to engage with Mr Slaven -action ongoing.	<b>MH.</b> Engage with Mr Slaven when appropriate.
<b>3. Finance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cash at bank sufficient to our needs.</li> <li>• Now live on Online banking.</li> <li>• A forecast of expenditure had been produced, and has been circulated to Trustees.</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Governance – Need for AGM</b>	We are legally bound to have an AGM. Our incorporation date is 15 Aug 15; we must have an AGM no later than one month beyond that. <b>Afternote.</b> Suggest Thu 15 Sep 16 at 1930/7.30 pm.	<p><b>All. Please advise as to suitability or otherwise of this date.</b></p> <p><b>MH.</b> Pending confirmation of date, please try to obtain the Green Room in the Moat Centre, and advise cost. <b>ADJ/ID/SO</b> will discuss format nearer the time.</p>
<b>5. BCC Update.</b>	<b>JM</b> gave a quick résumé of the 17 Feb BCC meeting. Of particular interest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Charrette had been well-received by councillors.</li> <li>• Health provision was in dire straits.</li> <li>• The Ferry should revert to normal operations on or about 25 Mar 16. Weather was, of course, critical to this timeline.</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Alliance for Action (AforA)</b>	<b>ADJ</b> updated on the recent legal discussion about the future governance of AforA. The clear recommendation was for a 2-tier SCIO, with the members either being organisations (such as BCC, IOBT) or individuals).  There was some discussion about the timing of the Charrette workshops. The point was made by <b>JM</b> that	

	the Ice-Cream Architecture team were prepared to be very flexible both in terms of timescale and programming of what was discussed and when.	<b>All.</b> Please attend as and when possible.
<b>7. Existing Projects</b>		
<b>a. Empty Shops.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>ADJ</b> had had an approach from someone interested in acquiring a shop on the IOBT list. While the point had been made that we were not “business startup” specialists, both <b>JM</b> and <b>MH</b> offered to discuss options with the individual concerned.</li> <li>• Despite prompting, A&amp;B council had still not advertised the Guildford Square shop. The issue appeared to be time to take photographs. <b>CB</b> made the point that if this was the only sticking point, he was prepared to help. <b>Afternote.</b> This offer has been made to A&amp;B council.</li> </ul>	<b>JM/MH as required.</b>
<b>b. Ambulance Shelter.</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• While this is still moving slowly, there has been some progress. A&amp;B Council planning staff have sent someone to inspect the site. Feedback awaited. <b>Afternote.</b> They have been “hastened” by email. <b>JM</b> had not yet managed to engage with Adam Ellis-Jones (COO of Mountstuart Trust) but would do so asp. <b>AG</b> had written to the British Red Cross requesting assistance; he had received a reply stating that the application was now under consideration.</li> </ul>	<b>CB (if required).</b>          <b>JM</b>
<b>8. Proposed New Projects.</b>		
<b>a. Victorian Toilets (24/7 Availability).</b>	<b>ADJ</b> met James McMillan, Chairman of Victoriana trust on 16 <sup>th</sup> Feb). Victoriana awaited final confirmation of their funding grant from A&B Council (expected imminently) and would then be very pleased to accept the offer of assistance. The Board voted a provisional allocation of £2500, pending detailed quotation from a local contractor.	<b>ADJ.</b> Obtain confirmation from Victoriana Trust; Obtain quotes.
<b>Bute Young Entrepreneur</b>	<b>ID</b> advised that pressure of work had prevented any progress. Action ongoing.	<b>ID/SO.</b>
<b>9. Publicity and Fundraising</b>	<b>JM</b> advised that she was now in the “research phase” of fundraising, having collated a deal of information of funding options. More to follow.	<b>JM</b>
<b>10. AOB</b>		
<b>a. Secretary.</b>	The meeting voted Sandy Ogilvie as acting Secretary in order to maintain consistency with the IOBT constitution. He would assume the appointment with effect from the next meeting.	<b>SO</b>
<b>b Next meeting.</b>	<b>Thu 31 Mar 16, 1930 in Black Bull.</b>	<b>All.</b>