

Stòras Uibhist

PUBLICATION MINUTE of the meeting of the **BOARD** held on 2nd October 2008 at Bornish 16.30.

MEMBERS PRESENT	Angus MacMillan Chair	George MacAulay
	Fr M J MacDonald Vice Chair	Roddy MacDonald
	John MacMillan	
	Lorne MacLeod	
	David Blaney	

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Sarah MacEachan	
	Martin Matheson	

ATTENDING	Kirsty Campbell, minute secretary	Huw Francis, Chief Executive

DECLARATION OF INTEREST	OF	A Mac Millan item ET 3

Agenda Heading	Record of Proceedings
	<p>The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.</p> <p>The minutes of the previous meeting were proposed by Fr Michael MacDonald and Seconded by Lorne Macleod. The meeting approved the minutes subject to amendment to item CE report item 7 re pensions.</p>
Action Sheet	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Register of interest forms – one still to be completed. Action DB 2. Youth Engagement - no action to date. Action DB 3. Public minutes have now been approved and are available on the website. 4. Non-disclosure forms – No standard forms have been found, which would be appropriate for Stòras Uibhist staff and Directors. A customised form may be required. Action HF 5. Revised business plan to be completed and uploaded. 6. Letter to CnES sent requesting a meeting to discuss ongoing projects. Similar meeting with HIE should be arranged. Action HF/AMM 7. Staff appraisals underway, with HF completed and remaining staff to be completed by end October. 8. Stiaraval Quarry – HF met with township on Monday. Meeting was positive and anticipate the majority in favour of accepting both extension to main quarry and gravel pit proposal.

<p>Extraordinary topics</p>	<p>1. Golf development.</p> <p>HF spoke to the report and made recommendations to the board. The board agreed that financial costings and implications should be prepared for the next meeting.</p> <p>2. Sporting</p> <p>HF spoke to the report and a discussion on the issues was held. The board agreed that HF should prepare a comprehensive report for the next meeting.</p> <p>3. Aquaculture Sectoral Development</p> <p>A macMillan left the meeting and the Vice Chairman Fr. Michael MacDonald chaired this item.</p> <p>The Board considered the draft feasibility study which had been prepared. HF spoke to the report. It was noted that financials contained in the report would be revised following discussions.</p> <p>The Board agreed to CE recommendations on progressing the project and the Board delegated responsibility to the Chief Executive for decisions on specific aspects, including incurring costs.</p> <p>The Board agreed that the company should seek to progress the project in line with the recommendations of the draft report.</p> <p>The Board further agreed to progress with production of a comprehensive business plan.</p> <p>4. Renewables.</p> <p>Wind Turbines</p> <p>Still on target for 1st December planning application. Project has been revised to 3 x 2MW turbines. Following a discussion on the financial aspects of the project, the Board agreed to progress with the development of a community share issue on the project, in conjunction with Energy4All.</p> <p>Hydro generation</p> <p>The Board agreed to proceed with further feasibility work on a hydro project in Lochboisdale, following discussion with CES. RMacD to action.</p> <p>The meeting then closed.</p>
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