

Development Coll
Minutes
12th August 2015,
held at An Cridhe

Present: Lavinia Maclean Bristol,
Nic Smith,
Juliette Summers,
George McConnachie,
Arlene Casey,
Tammie Hedderwick,
Margaret Wheeler James

Apologies Dave Entwistle,
Carol Flett

There were no declarations of interest.

Matters arising from the minutes

We were given the number of ferry misses for last year. These were for the year to December rather than for last winter. (I don't have the actual numbers).

Mobile Mast

- A remote meter reader will cost £18/quarter and may not work. Tammie will see if we have volunteers who would be willing to walk up and read the meter
- We need to check whether we have a key
- Our funding request to Tilley is under consideration

MC

- The MC has mixed opinions on purchasing a copy of the art book from our artist in residence. Carol and DaveL are investigating funding opportunities
- We have job descriptions for the available volunteer roles. We need to create a volunteer policy; Tammie will draft this, and an environmental policy.

AC

- We have a bursary for someone to visit the Edinburgh fringe and watch some shows to see if they would be suitable to come to Coll. Indie Carnie will go on our behalf, the only expenses we will cover will be funded by the bursary.

- We are promoting Coll and the Cosmos, and the painting week.
- We had positive feedback from the wedding. We took about £1700 on the bar.
- Coming up – Winging It and War of the Buttons
- Bunkhouse bookings are similar to last year

Housing

- We can put our SLF application in before the deadline and then add the feasibility study conclusions afterwards. Seonaid and Arlene are contacting the council etc about our application. Jodie will write to the out-of-village plot owners and say these are no longer under consideration.

Funding

- George and Juliette met to discuss funding applications. George gave us a spreadsheet of progress so far. We are looking for revenue funding, not funds to cover project costs. The two main selected areas are funding to develop the cultural program, eg theatre, cinema, music, bird festival etc, and community development and empowerment, which will overlap with what Tammie is currently doing. An application to Creative Scotland is 90% complete, this will not cover staff costs but will pay for venue hire and performance fees. Less work has been done on community empowerment applications.

AOB

- We ought to think about funding to allow cheaper gym sessions for pensioners and the unemployed

Private Meeting

- RBS need more information to change the account names **AP Arlene**
- Co-op bank, Fra has been taken off but the new directors do not have access yet
- Shona (Our accountant) has been on holiday and not been in touch
- We discussed employing casual staff
- Staff pensions. **AP Arlene** will talk to Shona and Gerry for advice

As Lavinia, Nic and Arlene will all be away the next meeting will be on Monday 21st September at 6-30