

The Glendale Trust

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Minutes of Annual General Meeting

7th February 2009 at 2.00pm in Glendale Hall

Present: Clare Gray, Ian Blackford, Anne Blackford, Brian Smith, Ewan McLay, Dave Perry, Margaret MacPhee, Ocean Graham and about 40 members of the Glendale Trust

No Apologies.

Clare Gray, Chairwoman, welcomed the Membership.

Minutes of last years AGM were read and put to the membership for acceptance:

Chairwoman's report:

At the first meeting of the current Board of Directors, we reviewed the objectives of the Trust with regard to projects, which members identified as important to pursue, and divided them into long and short-term projects.

The Long-term projects were: -

Supporting the Pooltiel Harbour and Meanish Pier redevelopment

Supporting Glendale Estate with the renovation of the Glendale Mill, Kiln and Gamekeepers Cottage

Renewable energy

Developing a website

The Moorings Association is continuing to enquire about the acquisition of the pier area. We wish them success and hope to be able to work with them in the future.

We have had discussions with the Glendale Estate Management Committee about the Mill, Kiln and Gamekeepers cottage. All funders require the Glendale trust to either own or hold a 99-year lease on the properties concerned. This is a matter for the Glendale Estate shareholders to discuss and we continue to offer support if it's requested.

A subcommittee involving Ocean Graham, Brian Smith and Ian Blackford was formed to look at the Renewable Energy project. They have invited Angus Robertson from Sleat Renewables here today for an informal discussion after the AGM.

It was agreed that a web site would be a useful forum to post information about the work of the trust but while the setting up on a web site was relatively straightforward, the continued maintenance is very time consuming and it was not a project we could commit to last year.

The short-term projects were: -

2 Newsletters to all members

The provision of a tourist map in the car park of the Hall

Development of a Heritage Centre

The Company Secretary wrote and distributed 2 newsletters to all members.

A sub committee comprising Ocean Graham, Clare Gray and Margaret MacPhee was formed to work on the visitor's notice board. An initial application for funding to Highland Council's Discretionary budget was turned down but a subsequent application to The Cooperative Community Fund was successful and we were awarded £500. The Trust is grateful to John Suckling area Community Representative for his support at area level. The design and drawing of the map was in-house and local businesses are invited to advertise for £20 to contribute to the publishing and construction costs. The Hall Committee have kindly agreed that it can be put up in the car park here. A draft version of the map is available to view and comments welcomed. This project will be completed when ground conditions are favourable.

A subcommittee of Ian Blackford, Ann Blackford, Clare Gray and Margaret MacPhee was formed to look at the development of a heritage centre. We asked Highland Council's Department of Education, Culture and sport if we could set up a two-week exhibition of articles and photos of interest to Glendale in Borrodale School. They agreed but as the school is mothballed, it had to be inspected by the Property Maintenance Department and the water turned on. Unfortunately this happened too late for us to set up an exhibition this summer. The subcommittee will be working on displaying articles of historical interest to Glendale here in the hall for the time being.

Treasurers report; is attached

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No other business

Next AGM will be January / February 2010