## **BAILIES OF BENNACHIE BOARD MEETING**

## Date 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2018

Attendees: Jackie Cumberbirch (JC) (chair), Ann Baillie (AB), Brian Cornock (BC), Margaret Garden (MG) (Save Bennachie), Angela Groat (AG), William Linklater (WL), Dave Peter (DP), Rosemary Sievewright (RS), Donna Taylor (DT), Sue Taylor (ST), Andrew Wainwright (AW).

**Apologises: NT** 

| Item                  | Comment   | Action   | Responsible/<br>target date |
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| 1 Welcome             | JC welcomed all present to the meeting.   |  |                             |
| 2 Previous Minutes    | AW noted an error in 11/6/18 report. Date of start of dig at the Bede house was originally reported as 25 <sup>th</sup> July but should have been 25 <sup>th</sup> June.  | Now corrected  | RS                          |
| 3 Chair Report JC     | Recent fire on Bennachie near Mither Tap was confined to a small area (around 2.5 hectares) due to the work of the local fire brigade. After info put on Facebook it reached 65,000 people and there were 350 more "Facebook Likes"   |  |                             |
| 4 Treasures Report BC | This had been circulated to the Trustees prior to the meeting. BC emphasised that the report for OSCR for the period 13/3/17 to 31/12/17 had to be with OSCR by 30/9/18 but was confident that would be done.   |  |                             |
|                       | Clarification was also needed about the budget for the Bede House project. The original Bailies contribution was to be £3000, the short fall to be made up by a grant which was not achieved BUT the Bailies agreed to support the project therefore agreeing to fund the entire budget up to £5000 | Budget for the Bede House project agreed up to £5000 | All                         |
| 5 Bede House Project  | Report circulated prior to the meeting. Project clearly very interesting and important information being found. It is hoped that clear felling by the Pittodrie Estate around the site, will be done very carefully.  |  |                             |
| 6 Bailies Library ST  | After delays and poor communication, the Bailies Library Catalogue has been loaded onto a computer The Bailies "Mac"not a Garioch Heritage computer as was originally planned. ST will meet GH staff on a Tuesday soon to train GH volunteers on how to use it.                                     | ST to train GH volunteers                            | A Tuesday soon.             |
| 7 New Bailies Website | DT, AG, DP and WL are steering group Preliminary meeting taken place and Global Web about to start work on it.  | JC to contact Global Web about payment               | JC JC                       |
| 8 Save Bennachie MG   | Another meeting is planned for 24 <sup>th</sup> July with Amey Arup( AA), Save Bennachie, Bailies JC,AB,DT MG, also Jill Mathews, Lizzie Bacon, David Bale and John Mills to ensure AA has all evidence based data that they need including camera trap footage and evidence of local Wild Cats     |  |                             |

| 9 FCS Update                      | Work on improving the path at the Back O' Bennachie completed. Further work        |                              |                       |
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| I                                 | to be done at Donview. On 13/8/18 there is to be a big campaign on Dog fouling     |                              |                       |
|                                   | and at the next meeting NT will update us on the state of the Colony Trail and     |                              |                       |
|                                   | Signage  |                              |                       |
| 10 Action plan for next 4 years.  | JC will prepare an updated version Few highlights                                  |                              |                       |
|                                   | WL agreed to take on checking planning permission requests from AB                 |                              |                       |
|                                   | Improve liaison with landowners  |                              |                       |
|                                   | Reinstate hill wardens and encourage a few more people to be work party            |                              |                       |
|                                   | leaders. Control exotic species  |                              |                       |
|                                   | DP agreed to be press officer  |                              |                       |
| 11 Development /Outreach Officer  | ST had prepared material including "Key Responsibilities of the Post" and          | Further thought and research | All                   |
| 11 Development / Oddreach Officer | "Person Specifications" for discussion. After lots of discussion it was clear that | needed                       | All                   |
|                                   | we were unclear about what was needed though several extra suggestions were        |                              |                       |
|                                   | made JC suggested that she and ST could manage the successful applicant.           |                              |                       |
| 12 AOB                            | JC reminded post holders to send their job descriptions to AG                      |                              | All except those who  |
|                                   | Je reminded post notates to send their job descriptions to No                      |                              | have already done so. |
|                                   | AB told us that the Bailies had received a further donation of £500 from Kitty     |                              |                       |
|                                   | Fyfield some of which was to be used for the Calendar                              |                              |                       |
|                                   | AB and AG wondered about having Bailies merchandise for sale eg Christmas          |                              |                       |
|                                   | cards, Tshirts etc possibly also on line in the new Website linked to PayPal       |                              |                       |
|                                   | Next meeting 3 <sup>rd</sup> September   |                              |                       |
|                                   | Treatment of September   |                              |                       |