

**BAILIES OF BENNACHIE BOARD MEETING (Draft 1)**

**Date 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019**

**Attendees: Jackie Cumberbirch (JC) (chair), Ann Baillie (AB), Brian Cornock (BC), Margaret Garden (MG) (Save Bennachie), Angela Groat (AG), Harry Leil (HL), Dave Peter (DP), Rosemary Sievwright (RS), Donna Taylor (DT), Sue Taylor (ST), Andrew Wainwright (AW) and Neil Taylor (NT) (FCS)**

**Apologises: William Linklater.**

Item	Comment	Action	Responsible/ target date
1 Welcome	JC welcomed all present to the meeting		
2 Previous minutes	A misspelling and a misinterpretation corrected		RS
3 Matters arising from the minutes	JC has contacted Jane Hay about a date for a first aid course, unfortunately it was for WL who is unable to attend meantime.	HL will check if anyone else in work parties needs it	HL
	One remaining Trustee form still to be completed by HL	JC will send HL a form.	JC
	Has the Bennachie Centre been booked for Bailies meeting for this year?	Meetings still to be held at 6 week intervals	AB will book the dates
	Work Parties. HL and MT will meet with NT, Alison Sutherland and? Scott Morrison with a view to involving FE machines on the Gordon Way.		
	Save Bennachie meeting on 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov. attended by AW ST and AB. The group will remain constituted and in contact with Amey Arup and Transport Scotland in case further work is needed, but their main aim has been achieved.		
4 Reports	Treasurers Report was previously circulated. Points raised for emphasis by BC		
	1) No money tied up in restricted funds now but we could have designated funds for specific expenses planned for the year eg Outreach Officer, Bede House project, Bennachie film (Alec Thomson) and printing for projects.	A report could be updated and available at each meeting for clarity	BC
	2) It was agreed that the reserve policy statement for OSCR would be the same as last year.		
	3) the value of capital assets would be estimated taking depreciation into consideration.		
	4) PayPal account imminent.		
	5) It was agreed to transfer some money from the cheque account to a 60 day notice account with Charities Aid Foundation and to increase the number of signatories for it and the Clydesdale account from 3 to 4.	AB agreed to be the fourth.	
5 Bailies Website DT	Progress very good. Hope for a "go live" date in 2 weeks. Website group to meet before that date. Trustees should have a look and pass comments to DT before their meeting ie in a week. Trustee photo required and Bios from AG and RS		All trustees
	MG thought the Bailies were getting an exceptional deal from Global web.		

6	Membership DT	No new members since last report. JC suggested trying to get 50 new members this year.		
7	Annual Report ST	Some of the submitted reports had to be compressed a little for balance and lack of space. 100 copies will be printed. Most Bailies get an electronic copy before the AGM. Trustees happy with the almost complete report.		
8	Work Parties HL	HL and MT to meet NT and AS to plan projects for this year.		
9	Chair's Report JC	MT518 will be discussed in Events Barry Foster has volunteered to organise displays in the Bennachie Centre, so that there is a regularly changing displays from various sources, including the Bailies. This may mean there is a cost involved eg for professional printing.	Trustees agree that a sum of money could be earmarked for this purpose.	
10	FCS Report NT	Reorganisation of FE staff now complete but they will need time to find their feet in their new posts. The Bailies need to communicate with NT and he will pass requirements on to appropriate people. Cairn Couttie sign will be progressed this year with a temporary sign designed by the Bailies being sited as discussed last meeting. There is no plans for clear fell harvesting on Bennachie this year but thinning will take place in various sites. When will the felling be done by Pittodrie estate	JC will try to find out	JC
11	Library/ Archive ST	Myrtle is meantime unable to help for personal reasons. Two new operational managers are untrained so far. JC keen to get this moving and the archive stuff scanned onto the website. ST and JM will get a plan and DP and AW will help. A list of the pld domestic appliances stored in RS 's loft is needed for rehoming		JC and RS
12	Events JC	1 AGM in March 2 Part of the report of the work on the Bede House has been completed Iain Ralston should now be paid. The project is hoped to be continued and again funded by the Bailies and /or grants. 3 Bennachie Landscapes series 4 should be ready for printing /publication in autumn. Trustees would like an electronic (PDF) copy as well 4 MT518 (Mither Tap 518 metres high). The Bailies would like to arrange a charity event in June to support Breast cancer charities, Aberdeen Mountain Rescue and the Bailies. The idea is to appreciate our hill and promote breast health by regular checking for abnormalities. At 12.00 on the day a minimum of 277 people would link hands round Mither Tap, with music from Kintore Pipe Band and a drone camera to record the event. Challenges – getting people to the Tap, public liability insurance, online registration, permission from local landowners. ? Tshirts.	Bailies agree to fund the project to the same level as last time. ie £5,000	

