



BAILIES OF BENNACHIE TRUSTEES ZOOM MEETING (Approved)

Date: 5th October 2020

Attendees: Jackie Cumberbirch (JC) (chair), Ann Baillie (AB), Brian Cornock (BC), Margaret Garden (MG), Angela Groat (AG), Willie Linklater (WL), Dan Montgomery (DM), John Bain (JB), Peter Stock (PS), Fiona Cormack (FC), Alex Doig (AD), Dave Peter (DP), Donna Taylor (DT)

Apologises: Michael McGhie (MM), Andrew Wainwright (AW)

Item	Comment	Action	Responsible/ target date
1 Chair	Fiona to contact chair Colin Wood at Garioch Heritage Centre about future working together following Covid. Fiona to continue liaison role with GHC now open.	FC to contact Colin Wood	FC 16-11-20
	Trustee permits for FLS car parks are now available, those without permit holders to inform Jackie	JB's permit to be issued. Issue permit holders to those requesting them	JC 16-10-20
	Issue Alex's film to trustees for their information, in turn do not distribute to anyone else.	Issue film to trustees	JC 09-10-12
	Various items were raised during the meeting where Franny could provide support during the winter including education website, review and comment on Bailies website and survey to find out who is using hill and purpose.	Send Franny email with details seeing if she would be interested	JC 09-10-12
	Trustees declaration forms will not be required, these will be replaced with contact details list being produced by Fiona	Update share space contents accordingly	WL/FC Closed
2. Acceptance of previous minutes	No comments received to minutes from meeting 24th August	Update to approved and upload to website	WL 09-10-20
3.Treasurer	The final bill from Alec Thomson (for the Bennachie film) has not yet been received.	JC will contact him, once satisfied with film.	JC 16-11-20
	1-year term deposit with Clydesdale Bank due 23 rd Nov. Review options going forward	Recommend to Trustees preferred option(s)	BC/JB 16-11-20
	John will take over the treasurer role following the 2021 AGM, in the meantime John will shadow Brian as part of the handover process	Progress handover to John over next few months	Ongoing, closed

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	Brian and John to discuss fundraising opportunities and grant applications. Conclusion – grants going forward will be on a per project basis	Action from 13-07-20	Closed
4. Outreach Officer	FC to co-ordinate the annual report with support from Sue as required.	Contact relevant trustees for input to report	FC 12-20
	Obtain outstanding trustee contact details to complete trustees contact list	Upload to folder in share space or pass onto WL	Closed
5. Membership	No actions		
6. Website/FB	Specification has been produced for the map requirements on the website, final review required prior to passing onto Global Web	Subgroup meeting to be organised for review.	JC 12-10-20
	The Bailies had a notice board in the Bennachie centre. Should there be any more updates these will be on the website with no displays being allowed in the centre at present.	FC contact Barry to check if anymore notice board update for website	FC 30-10-20
	Andrei, a volunteer for the Bailies, has produced a discussion report regarding an interactive map	Distribute this report to all trustees and FC	Closed
	JC, MG, and AG volunteered for website training. WL will take part to sense check the online user guidelines	Organise training date with Global Web	Closed
7. Publications	No actions		
8. Work parties	Should Pittodrie be happy for Bailies progressing with work at the Fog House. Then should have a follow up meeting to discuss scope in more detail to ensure there are no issues.	FC to visit Fog House with estate manager	FC 09-10-20
	There was a recent issue where a cross drain on the path up from Rowantree car park was cleared. Then following heavy rain, water drained off threatening to flood a nearby resident's house. This drain should not have been cleared as this was a known historical issue.	FC inform Pittodrie of issue. JC notify volunteers not to undertake work unless agreed with work party leaders	FC/JC 16-10-20
	Require update on where FLS are with issuing permissions going forward. (Permissions were issued by FLS in September)	Contact Neil for update	Closed
	If FLS are going to issue permissions, then require agreement on how work parties would operate safely with all covid requirements, agreed 05-10-20 we would hold off with work parties until early 2021	Produce draft guidelines	Closed
	Contact Pittodrie House regarding Fog House and outline findings of visit with Mike Taitt.	Contact Pittodrie House for initial feedback	Closed
	Thank Mike Taitt for help with Fog House survey and input to the report. Let him know awaiting response from Pittodrie House	WL send email to Mike	Closed

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	Question was raised what was happening with Gordon Way as out west it has become overgrown with extremely high grass. Check with Aberdeenshire Rangers their latest plans. Post Meeting Note: Response from Alison – “I have not been out with any Groups since March and unlikely to be for the foreseeable future I am afraid”	WL to contact Alison Sutherland Garioch Ranger for update	Closed
9. Hill Wardens	Looking at updating scope of hill wardens, there are some items that are no longer applicable and could add things such as wildlife spotted etc. Considering not allocating wardens to specific paths.	Review and update scope	PS ongoing
	Was suggested that wardens could review the waymarkers and provide feedback on possible improvements. Such as on Milestone where there is a possibility waymarkers could send people in the wrong direction	Peter to review if there is scope for this	PS 16-11-20
10. MTB / Hill Sports	Engage with FLS and other landowners where MTB trails are located and to discuss option of recreational zoning like Tweed area.	Ongoing discussions	JC/AD 16-11-20
	Produce Bailies Mountain Biking policy statement for website and FB etc	AD and MM produce. FC add to website and FB	AD/MM 30-10-20
	Meet with mountain bike groups such as Aberdeenshire Trail Association to understand their scope and vision for the future and discuss the bailies policy etc	AD/MM to make contact and where applicable organise a meeting	Ongoing
	The summary document produced with regards to future direction and effort was discussed. Key comments were to look at safety between MTB and other hill users, environmental preservation with higher number of users on certain MTB trails and tendency for widening where avoiding objects or water etc. Highlight MTB trails where erosion could become issue due to rainwater flowing down vertical drops. Engage with FLS and other landowners to highlight where MTB trails are located on their land. Liaise with local groups such as Aberdeenshire trails etc	Decide any particular areas that will be progressed not including those below	Closed
	Gather information on pinch points between where MTB trails and walker paths combine. These could be a safety issue with risk of people getting hurt	AD and MM to highlight where these are	Closed
11. Planning	Archaeology survey will be conducted for the existing Braco building as part of the planning requirements	Obtain a copy for information	DP
12. Archive	No actions		
13. Bennachie Landscape Projects	No actions		
14. Wildlife	MG, DT and AB to review wildlife group strategy for 2021	JC to organise meeting	JC 30-10-20

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15. Educational Resources	Discuss with Dan Montgomery forward options such as historical and geography.	MG contact Dan to discuss	MG
	Quote required from Global web for autumn / winter versions	MG contact GW	MG
	MG and JC have put together a summer programme based on nature on Bennachie. The last one has gone live this week. Trustees are encouraged to look at it especially with any primary school children in their lives. The hope is to expand this into the next school session. Dan Montgomery agreed to be involved with this. Also hope it will involve partnership working with BVC trust and the Garioch ranger.	MG, JC, DM to progress	Closed
	Next meeting 16th November 7pm, zoom		