

Minutes from Board Meeting of Coigach Community Development Company,

Tuesday 17th January 2012 19:00

Present: Nick Clooney (in the Chair), Ann Macleod, Steve Husband, Ben Walton, Phil Shaughnessy; Peter Muir & Julia Campbell (LDOs). **Apologies:** Iain Muir, Linda Macleod, Richard Williams.

- 1. Minutes** of meeting on 17th December were approved. Proposed by SH, seconded PS.
- 2. Matters Arising:** none.
- 3. LDO Reports:** PM has been working a lot on wind project recently. Coigach Wind Power Ltd has been incorporated, the name on the grid application has been changed to Coigach Wind Power Ltd. (CWP). Situation regarding PM's LDO work with CWP Ltd. needs to be clarified. JC: Finally have permission from LEADER to start Piers study, initial meeting pencilled in for 31st January. Preparations for open day underway (will be covered under Wind).
- 4. Development Plan:** Has been passed round board to read over and has to be sent to HIE asap. Comments: 2020 Vision needs to be bolder and vision content needs to be shaded or boxed to differentiate it from the rest of the plan. Piers should be mentioned in the introduction. Minor changes to be made then emailed to Lindsay Simpson asap. JC/PM
- 5. Community Energy**

5:1 Coigach Wind Power Ltd. is now set up, six directors have been appointed have held a couple of meetings and are in the process of opening a bank account. The necessary resolutions have been adopted and Tim Wright has agreed to be CWP's accountant. It was agreed that the domain name www.coigach.org be secured for future use. Action: PM.

Open Day – invitations/notice to be sent to Assynt Foundation, ELKAL, NW Geopark, UCT, UCC and Colin Findlay. Order for haggis pies to be increased to 100. Action:JC.

5:2 Ben Mor Hydro: SEPA have requested Scottish Water Data. Draft JV agreement is has been passed to our solicitors Harper Macleod to be checked over.

6. Land and Housing : SH has spoken to a director of Moulton Ltd who was would like to visit the old hydroponicum site. It was agreed that he should be encouraged and invited to meet with CCDC directors. Action SH. The owner of Achavraie House is happy to consider selling land for (preferably) residential development. It was agreed that CCDC should investigate using land on water road for workshop units and that we should approach SWT via Mark Foxwell to discuss. Action: PM will visit road first.

7. Piers and Harbours Covered in LDO report.

8. Finance HMRC issue has been sorted out. HIE claims are in hand.

9. Correspondence: none

10. AOCB: Junior Reps – contact Joseph Peach to ask if would like to continue and if so, share attendance at meetings with other young people. Action: JC. As there were no other applicants for the recently advertised LDO job, JC has been reappointed for 12 months from 1 January 2012.

11. DONM 21st or 28th Feb. TBC Action JC
closed at 21:16

The meeting