

## Coigach Community Development Company: Monday 24 April 2.30pm

**Present:** Iain Muir (IFM), Iain Scott (IJGS), Ann Macleod (AAB), Julia Campbell (JC), Anne Campbell (AAC), Phil Shaughnessy (PS).

**Apologies:** Steve Husband (SH), Alison Macleod (AM), Iain Simpson (IS).

Declarations of interest: with the wind turbine now operational formal interests have been declared by director SH, Alison Sinclair (Coigach Wind Power Ltd and Coigach Community CIC) and JC who are all shareholders of Achiltibuie Common Grazings. JC is also on the board of Highland Small Communities Housing Trust.

1. IFM welcomed all to the meeting.
2. **Minutes of Last Meeting:** Proposed by AAB, seconded by PS.
3. **Matters Arising;** dealt with in the course of the agenda.
4. **Broadband:** Action: AAC to introduce Iain Simpson to Highland Community Broadband. HCB are seeking permission from grazings committee/landowners to install power cables at Dornie. Elsewhere HCB have been installing equipment and although a little behind schedule, are making good progress.
5. **Finance:** Action: IJGS to set up CCDC Trading bank account. Action: IJGS to speak to SH about reimbursement for the met mast equipment he supplied and installed.
6. **Newsletter:** Newsletter was submitted to Ullapool News. It was agreed that LDO's would supply the UN with a brief fortnightly news item, and include eg wind turbine figures. Action: JC/AAC Action: IFM and will supply data from the meters.

Design work. House Martin design have submitted costings. Action: AAC to contact HIE to establish availability of funds.

7. **Land and Housing:** Schoolhouse tenants are now in resident. It was agreed that in future, communication to prospective tenants should be clearer and that they be kept more informed.

Smokehouse: AS and Peter Muir are in the process of completing and submitting the end of grant report to National Lottery Fund. Action: IFM to discuss with Alison.

8. **Piers and Harbours:** JC contacted Sarah Lamb at FLAG who says that to make a full application, match funding (approx. £100k) must already be in place. However the deadline of 2<sup>nd</sup> May is not so crucial, as applications can be submitted for consideration at future, quarterly FLAG Board meetings. HIE visit had suggested revisiting the proposals to establish exactly what role CCDC will play, and to clarify the plans. ACTION: IFM to discuss a way forward with Rich Williams, and for a PUG meeting to be arranged. Badentarbet: Tony Usher (THC) is proposing to carry out a new survey to look at possibilities of using pier for pedestrians and small craft. Action: IFM to contact Rich Williams to arrange a meeting of interested parties.
9. **Renewables:** CWP – The road survey has been completed and the first half of the road bond has been repaid. The second half is due soon had then has to be returned to CARES. There is an ongoing

contract for Locogen to monitor the turbine. Rent is now due to SWT and Achiltibuie Grazings Committee. Action: JC to arrange payment.

10. Drumrunie Junction: Action AAB to meet with LDO's to discuss.

11. CALLP: projects progressing, LDO's attend regular meetings.

12. AOCB; Coigach Community Council have submitted planning application for Achavraie (former site office) car park. Highland Council have awarded £1000 for Acheninver Coastal Path.

Date of Next Meeting: 7pm Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May.