Minute/Note of Meeting

TITLE : **Urras Stòras An Rubha**

DATE : **14 November 2017** **TIME :** **8.00 pm**

VENUE : **Point and Sandwick Trust Office, Knock**

Present: A Lamont(Chair); CM Dunn(Secretary); E Chaplin; TR Clark(Vice Chair); DM Macdonald; GK Macdonald; H Macdonald; DJ Macsween; N Macleod; G Morrison

Apologies: M Bruce; A Campbell; N Mackenzie; Z Stewart; Cllr N Macdonald; Cllr A Macleod; Cllr F Stewart.

Item		**Summary and Action**	**Who?**	**When?**
1	**Minute of meeting of 14 November 2016**	The minute of meeting of 21 September 2017 was approved.	C Dunn	Immediate.
2	**Matters Arising**	Purchase of Land: It was noted that K Macdonald, Solicitors, were awaiting Terms and Conditions from the Stornoway Trust solicitors, Anderson and Macarthur. D Smith had met with Gemma Campbell, HIE, regarding possible assistance from the Scottish Land Fund. It was agreed that the process was cumbersome and time-consuming and probably not worth the investment of time it would require when the outcome may not be positive. Membership of Board Three new directors Donald Macdonald, Helen Macdonald and Zena Stewart were welcomed by Angus Lamont, the new chair of the Board.		
3	**Declaration of Interests**	None declared.		
4	**Review of Building Project**	Following the USAR Design Panel meeting with D Smith, DJ Macsween had spoken to Malcolm Crate and Mr Crate had agreed in principle to consider reviewing the building project with the Design Panel. It was noted that the scale of the project meant that it would have to be architect-led and that Mr Crate's possible input would be to work out a detailed brief to take to an architect. It was agreed that DJ Macsween would ascertain the fee that Mr Crate's input would entail and that E Chaplin and H Macdonald would do an initial scoping/design exercise prior to a possible meeting with Mr Crate. C Dunn agreed to reply to the email of 26 September from Gordon Anderson to indicate that the Board had decided to pause and reflect on the plans for the building to ensure the needs of tenants would be met, within a projected possible funding of £700,000, and that it was hoped that this exercise would provide a very detailed brief for architect plans. It was agreed to highlight to him that the original indicative construction budget, as noted in the record of the first Design Team meeting, had been £616,000, although the Board had agreed to the very impressive but costly plans he had developed.	DJ Macsween E Chaplin H Macdonald C Dunn	Immediate

5	**Reports from partner groups**	**The following were noted from partner groups:** <u>Point Agricultural Society</u> The date for the 2018 show had yet to be decided, but PAS was looking to a later date in July. <u>Urras Eaglais na H-Aoidhe</u> A well-attended annual lecture was held on 29 September. A leaflet on the Big lottery funded survey was at printing stage, and the end of project report was being prepared. <u>Comann Eachdraidh</u> The World War 2 exhibition research is almost complete and the displays for the exhibition are at an advanced stage. The central displays for the WW1 exhibition had been dismantled, and the CE and USAR collaborated in a table top sale in the exhibition hall in October. This had raised £113 for USAR. <u>Rudhach</u> TheAGM will be held at the end of November. The newspaper is now printed locally, at a reduced cost. <u>Buth An Rubha</u> Security has been enhanced following the recent break-in. The culprits, who are not residents of Point, have now been charged by police. N Macleod reported that the community support following this incident had been outstanding.		
6	**Financial Matters**	N Mackenzie had provided a report on the financial position, with a current account balance at 2 October of £14080.28. This includes the £2000 loan repayment for TIG, from whom an invoice or equivalent is awaited. It was agreed to seek information on whether any further payments would be required from the BL Development funding.	N Mackenzie	Immediate
7	**Date of next meeting**	Monday 18th December at 7.30pm	All	