**Unst Partnership Ltd**

**Minutes of Directors meeting held at Unit 1, Hagdale Industrial Estate on**

**Wednesday 7th March, 2018 at 7pm.**

**Present:-**

Gordon Thomson, Sarah McBurnie, George Rodger, Colin Edwards-Horton, Norma Jamieson, Jane Macaulay, Di Hervey, Frances Browne, Community Development SIC .

**cc.** Unst CC and North Isles Councillors Ryan Thomson, Alec Priest, Duncan Simpson.

**Apologies:** from Susan Edwards-Horton, Les Sinclair.

**1. Welcome**

Gordon welcomed everyone to the meeting and passed around agendas and minutes of the previous meeting.

***2. Matters arising:***

**Skip Day** Next Skip Day is Saturday 10th March 2018. Sarah doing pickup Friday. The Unst CC had approved grant aid of £300 to meet a small shortfall and were keen to see the Scheme resume in the next financial year.

**Stage 2 Scottish Land fund application** This had now gone in but SLF say they would only fund 1 year of a Development Officer, not two as we had been advised.

**Collaster Project** – still to process £480 Invoice for the BJHS Information leaflet. Once that is done the project should be almost ready to be completed.

**Walkers are Welcome** Still to hear from Gardiesfauld Youth Centre if they are willing to take this on. Peter Guy’s “Walking the Coastline” books are now out of print, with no plans to reprint. Di (?) offered to read and see what needs updating.

**Upcycling Project** Norma is following up her ear-ring project, “Single Studs Wanted”

**“Visit Unst”Facebook site** We agreed that Megan should run this site. She is also planning a mobile phone app with “Visit Unst” information on it, price £2.99.

**3. Planning Permission application** – this is now live on the SIC website (since 23rd Feb). It should take about 8 weeks to complete.

**4. Halligarth** There is to be a public meeting about this on Monday 19th March at 6.30pm in Baltasound Hall. John Mackenzie can speak to Directors at 3pm in UP Office. There is to be a site visit around Halligarth in the afternoon at 2pm. The discussion will include the sustainability of the project.

**5. Tourism Map**

Sarah has spoken to B&Bs. Only one interested in advertising, but they will take a quarter panel. Gordon has a list of of the advertisers. Print run will be about 5000.

**6. Financial Report**

Funds stand at £8513 as at 2nd March. Most Collaster payments now made but still approx. £500 for Trail leaflet. Some advertising money already in for Map, should just about cover itself.

**7. AOCB**

**SocialMedia/ Crowdfunding workshop.** Gordon had attended this and passed around some leaflets from it. He said it was quite useful and gave tips on promoting your business through Social Media and tips on how to go about a crowd-funding scheme.

**HIE Training/Development Budget claims**. Any claims for this had to be in this week.

**Accounts:** Bridgette Thomason has agreed to look over our accounts before going to audit. The fee should be less this year as we have had fewer transactions and no significant payroll records.

**AGM date – this was set for Wednesday 25th April, 7pm in Baltasound Hall.** (Amended to 2 May 2018)

(Will advertise at Farmers Market.)

**Date of next meeting – Wednesday 11th April 7pm Unit 1, Hagdale, Baltasound**