

## ■ FRIENDS OF GLENAN WOOD TRUSTEES' MEETING – June, 2021

- **Date:** June 8, 2021
- **Time:** 8.00pm
- **Place:** Remotely via video conference.
- **Attendees:** Mark Appleton, Robin Webster, Niall McFarlane, Eve MacFarlane, Ed Pybus, Rob Borruso, Katherine Lowrie,
- **Apologies:** Rhyddian Knight

1. Minutes of last meeting Approved for publication

**ACTION: Eve**

2. Matters arising not on agenda Following on from Andree's departure from the board Katherine asked about accessing any documentation and information still held by Andree that may be useful to the group in future. **(Robin to check with Andrée)**
3. Robin will be visiting the nursery where our orchard plants are held and has responded to Climate Change Scotland telling them about our actions re. the orchard to date. **Action Robin**
4. There was some discussion about the need to raise about £1,000 to fence off an area of 50 x 50metres in the immediate future, to be followed by a crowd funding campaign for the longer term. There was discussion around the need to buy materials for this fencing and it was felt that an appeal to our members for donations in cash and in kind would be useful. It was felt that if we need to create a more rough and ready fence simply to get things moving then this is acceptable. Katherine to speak to Angus Bevan regarding fencing specifications and costs. **Action Katharine, Niall and Robin**
5. There followed some discussion about extending the length of Rhyddian's contract by employing him for one day a week. All agreed to be led by Rhyddian. **Action Rhyddian**
6. Robin and Niall spoke about the BoostIt fund and the need to rework income figures, assuming the pod project goes ahead. This must be sent to the lenders before 24<sup>th</sup> June. If we do not go ahead, then we need to return the £46k we have in the bank. **Action Niall**
7. Niall said Rhyddian was planning to speak to Portavadie Marina about potential collaborative activities. The suggestion was that Eve and Niall accompany him. **Action Rhyddian, Niall and Eve**
8. Katherine explained how she had met James Nairne from Northwood Alliance with a view to sharing skills and resources in future. James is working on a Memorandum of Understanding around a series of biodiversity goals. A show of hands confirmed the board approved in principle of this collaboration. **Action: Katherine and Rhyddian**
9. Resignations Robin informed the board that Heather has decided to resign on the basis that she feels she has not the time to fulfil her role in the way that she would like. Robin will ask her to let him have member's contact details. **Action Robin**
10. Finance Niall explained that outside of ringfenced money in the account we have around £2k in cash, although some £250 of that was committed and related to the insurance. We have to find about £800 for insurance annually .

11. Next meeting Robin will send around a doodle poll to determine the date of the next meeting and asked that board members consider a long-term fundraising strategy in the event that other proposed ventures (shepherds huts) do not happen. **Action Robin**