

The Highland Council
Lochaber Area Committee
Tuesday 25 August 2015

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Report No	LA 32/15

An Aird Trust – Appointment of Trustees

Report by Head of Policy and Reform

Summary

The report seeks homologation of the appointment of Councillor Thomas MacLennan and Councillor Brian Murphy to the An Aird Trust.

1. Background

- 1.1 The An Aird Trust was established in 1994 to manage a fund deposited by Morrison Developments Limited as part of the commercial development of An Aird.
- 1.2 The two parties to the Trust Deed were Lochaber District Council (owners of the ground) and Morrison Developments Limited (principal tenant).

2. Overview

- 2.1 The Trust Deed sets out the Purposes of the Trust as well as the appointment of Trustees. The primary purpose of the Trust is (as a fund of last resort) to provide funding for capital improvements or structural alterations to the Multi-Purpose Hall (now known as the Nevis Centre).
- 2.2 With regard to the appointment of Trustees, two Trustees are required from the local authority, at that time specified as the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Lochaber District Council
- 2.3 The present level of funding available to the Trust is £35,000
- 2.4 The other Trustees (Directors of Linnhe Leisure who operate the Centre) asked that Council Trustees be appointed to allow early discussion to take place on future use of the Trust funds. Councillors Thomas MacLennan and Brian Murphy were able to respond to this request.

3. Implications

- 3.1 There are no Resource, Legal, Equalities, Climate Change/Carbon Clever, Risk, Gaelic or Rural implications arising from this report.

Recommendation

Members are asked to homologate the appointment of Councillor Thomas MacLennan and Councillor Brian Murphy to the An Aird Trust.

Designation: Head of Policy and Reform

Date: 10 August 2015

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Background Papers: