

## **IGHT Board Meeting**

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026 at 9am

**Present:** Fergus Christie (FC) – Director; Jane Clements (JC) – Director; Adam Murphy (AM) – Director; Gordon Watson (GW) – Director; Ian Wilson (IW) – Director; Jane Macintyre (JM) – Company Secretary/Senior Manager

**Apologies:** Tim Lister (TL) – Director

**Minutes:** JM

**Please note this copy of minutes are redacted to exclude any confidential information.**

### **1. Welcome & Apologies**

AM welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### **2. Board Action Plan**

The board reviewed the 10-Year Community Action Plan. The following actions were identified as priorities for the Trust for 2026:

1. Maximise trading income from existing assets (campsite, hotel, moorings and gardens).
2. Review options for maximising existing and future renewable energy generation.
3. Carry out an analysis of residential properties and schedule planned improvements.
4. Review and consider the future of farming assets and land management. Ensure the quality of our agricultural land is maintained and improved.
5. Review and update IGHT Road's policy with a viable, long-term policy, with clear and fair division of costs among IGHT and track-using residents and tenant farmers.
6. Explore and introduce improved communication and dialogue channels between IGHT and members, such as resident surgeries, restructured members' meetings, and sharing relevant news and information.
7. Complete the MUGA project and ensure the facility is maintained.
8. Focus on establishing the hotel as a sustainable Trust asset and business.
9. Continue to review opportunities for new revenue generating ventures.

The following actions in the 10-Year Community Action Plan have either been already implemented or are regularly reviewed by the Trust:

1. Review of Achamore Gardens and IGHT staffing requirements
2. Ensuring 'bringing a business' is a criterion for IGHT HomeHunt.
3. Target cruises and coaches.
4. Ensure the 'Gateway to Gigha' path network remains fully open and well maintained to provide access to Gigha's natural heritage.
5. Provide safe access to Kilchattan graveyard via Keill Road.
6. Liaise with CalMac and the Community Council to manage campervans and motorhomes coming across on the ferry.
7. Investigate methods to discourage camper vans setting up in particular problematic locations. This might include erection of new signage.
8. Annual Visitor Survey to record visitor numbers.
9. Improve ferry parking at Tayinloan for both islanders and visitors.

### **3. Communications Plan**

Keith Wilson approached AM and has suggested being co-opted onto the board with the dedicated purpose of implementing the Communications Plan. The board agreed to proceed with Keith's offer and co-opt.

### **4. Hotel**

Hotel Manager: 12 applicants received which are to be shortlisted to 5 for interview. JM, GW, Anna and Mark are to carry out interviews. Process will include an introduction / meeting of hotel staff and an observation test. Funding: HIE have approved a grant for specific works. Details to follow.

## 5. Finances

Annual budgets and cashflow projection for 2026/27 to be produced.

## 6. Correspondence

To be discussed at next board meeting.

**Meeting closed:** 10.20am

### Next meeting dates:

- Date TBC – Farming & Road’s Policy with Bell Ingram
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 11am – Staff meeting (HR Directors)
- Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March at 1pm – IGHT Group Board Meeting
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 10am – IGHT Group Budget Meeting

Action	Allocation
Finalise Trust Board Action Plan 2026	JM
Approach Keith Wilson to be co-opted and implement Communications Plan	AM
Hotel Manager recruitment	JM/GW/AL/MCW
Hotel funding summary	JM
Budgets and cashflow projection	JM