

CORRA Meeting Wednesday, 11th February, 2025
at
Holoman House @6.30pm
Minutes No: 135

In attendance:

Chair & Treasurer Jo Mahler (JM)
Secretary: Jane Crosbie (JC)
HR: Eilidh Byars (EB)
Shop Manager: David Carslaw (DC)

1. **Apologies:** - Vice Chair KS
2. **Adoption of Minutes No. 134 Proposed** by JC and seconded by EB
3. **Manager's report:** January trading was very quiet. The impact of both Raasay House and Distillery being closed resulted in far fewer tourists. In addition, fewer work people over from Skye has meant less daily trade.
4. **Financial report:** Trading account £13,851.51, Savings account £54,696.79 & New Shop fundraising account £114,586.04. End of year 2025 New Shop fundraising account total being cross checked to ensure all promised donations have now been made & accounted for.
5. **HR Update:** February half term holidays covered by remaining staff & volunteers.
6. **Action points from Minutes 134:** Current shop: Brevo report from H Moore/Minutes Secretary proving useful to see figures for emails of Minutes sent and read. New shop: Further requests for pews & visits to the Church have continued taking place for interested buyers.
7. **A.O.C.B:** New fundraising merchandise ideas discussed. Current sales of tea towels going well. Board Skills survey to be completed for updated Business Plan. Board DTAS training courses attended by JM include 'Finance & Fundraising', 'Financial planning' & 'Business planning'. Course material available for Board members. Extremely useful information for the New Shop. Fundraising sub committee meeting on 21 January. Sport and musical events being planned for current year. There then followed a discussion regarding feedback from Bruce Marshall's visit (SMAS) in early January. Topics covered were how produce was recorded/Data collection (& interrogation & decision making thereof)/EPOS training/Stock taking quantity, throughput & lead time as well as seasonal adjustment/Current & future shelving space & expansion – management & budgeting etc. Meeting with TORR scheduled to discuss potential design and build for the New Shop.

Date of next Meeting: Wednesday, 11th March @ 6.30pm in the Village Hall.