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HIGHLANDS & ISLANDS ENTERPRISE

MINUTE OF THE MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT GROUP HELD ON MONDAY, 16 JANUARY 2006

PRESENT: Sandy Cumming (Chief Executive)
Sandy Brady (Director – Strategy)
Forbes Duthie (Director – Corporate Services)
Catriona Eagle (Director – Careers Scotland)
Douglas MacDiarmid (Director - Global Connections)
Susan Myles (Director – Human Resources)
Bill Sylvester (Director – Partnership Projects)
John Watt (Director - Strengthening Communities)
Jackie Wright (Director - Growing Businesses)
Douglas Yule (Director – Area Operations)
Andrew Ross (Secretary)
Alison MacNeill (Executive Office)
Maitland Hyslop (Ross & Cromarty Enterprise) (Item 2 only)
Raine MacLennan (Ross & Cromarty Enterprise) (Item 2 only)
Jeff Foot (Growing Businesses) (Item 4 only)
Jim MacKay (Growing Businesses) (Item 4 only)

1 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 21 DECEMBER 2005 (MG 41/05) (HIE 2004/0228)

These Minutes were approved.

2 Item removed for reasons of substantial prejudice to the effective conduct of public affairs.

3 WRITE OFF CASES (HIE 2005/01255)

This paper was withdrawn.

4 Item removed for reasons of substantial prejudice to the effective conduct of public affairs.

5 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

(1) ISLE OF EIGG HERITAGE TRUST - ELECTRIFICATION OF EIGG (LE 2005/00393) (PCS 36399)

Noting the contents of a Project Amendment Approval paper, it was agreed to change the approval of funding and re-issue the legal undertaking, which had originally been made to the Isle of Eigg Heritage Trust for the electrification of Eigg, to the recently formed company, Eigg Electric Ltd.

At this point, Jackie Wright and Sandy Brady declared their interest as Directors of PICT, and left the room.

(2) PICT – PRODUCING ICT BUSINESS OF THE FUTURE (HIE 2005/00817) (PCS 29301)

Noting the contents of a Project Amendment Approval paper, it was agreed to approve an additional sum of £50,000 to fund the formal wind-up of PICT Innovation Ltd. The additional funds would cover a range of professional fees, external staffing costs, final

payments to staff and various other routine operational expenses such as leases, rental and bank charges.

A Ross
17 January 2006
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