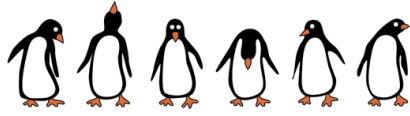


FALKLAND ISLANDS TOURIST BOARD



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T O U R I S T B O A R D

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Held at 09:00 on 21st February 2019
Chamber of Commerce

Present:

Sally Ellis	SE	Chair
Alex Olmedo	AO	Vice Chair
Stephanie Middleton	SM	Executive Director
Josephine Muncaster	JM	Financial Controller
Diane Simsovic	DS	Head of Policy
Carli Sudder	CS	Chair of Tourism Association
Margaret Williams	MW	Director
John Clifford	JC	Director

In Attendance: Julie Sloan (Tourism Development Specialist)

Minutes: Rachael Crowie

Public and Press: Gavin Short (FIRS)

Item	PART I	Action
1	<u>Apologies for absence</u>	
1.1	Mark Pollard and Samantha Marsh	
1.2	The board would like to welcome John Clifford as a director of the FITB Board and the board would like to thank Riki Evans for his time as a director. Sammy Marsh will continue as a director.	
2	<u>Declaration of interest</u>	
2.1	There were no declarations of interest.	

<p>3</p> <p>3.1</p>	<p><u>Confirmation of the minutes of the meeting held on the 28th September 2019</u></p> <p>The Minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record.</p> <p>Amendment to 8.1 – previously minutes: <u>Grants Review</u> From; For future accommodation grants maximum per financial year of £20,000 for renovations and a maximum of £10,000 for small improvements. To; For future accommodation grants maximum per financial year of £20,000 for renovations to increase bed spaces and a maximum of £10,000 for small improvements.</p>	
<p>4</p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.2</p> <p>4.3</p> <p>4.4</p>	<p><u>Matters arising from the minutes of the meeting held on 28th September 2018</u></p> <p><u>2018 Tourism Awards (4.1 in previous minutes)</u></p> <p>SM said that this will be confirmed soon but looking like 16 or 17 April with the wash up meeting and next board meeting close to these dates.</p> <p><u>FIGAS Operations (item 4.2 in previous minutes)</u></p> <p>FIGAS has been approved funds for a new plane but the chartered plane is still not operational at the moment.MW informed the board that they have received complaints from their clients with regards to delays which Falkland Islands Holidays will collate and pass onto FIGAS. SM will invite a representative from FIGAS to the wash up meeting.</p> <p><u>Gateway update (item 4.8 in previous minutes)</u></p> <p>SM informed the board that the co-chair of the Gateway committee will be visiting on 16 March. The other two members were unable to attend this time but plan to visit at the start of next season.</p> <p><u>Investment guide (item 7 in previous minutes)</u></p> <p>JM informed the board that it has been sent out to international stakeholders. This will also be added to our trade section of the website and shared with FIGO. There will be a 3 month follow up and the next step are to look at legal and building requirements. SM will be the FITB member of staff who will guide potential investors.</p>	
<p>5.</p> <p>5.1</p> <p>5.2</p>	<p><u>Executive Director Update</u></p> <p>JS confirmed that FIG are still making progress on the civilian passenger terminal and the mid-week flight. MW expressed concerns on the waiting area for FIGAS flights from LATAM.</p> <p>JM has met with PWD with regards to the new lower cost design of the Gypsy Cove toilets for the new proposal to come within budget and is envisaged in time for next season.</p>	

