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A charaid chòir,

Bu mhath leam fios a chur thugaibh gu bheil Bòrd na Gàidhlig taiceil ris an obair a tha Urras Blàr Sliabh a' Chlamhain [1745] a dhèanamh ann a bhith brosnachadh aire is cleachdadh na Gàidhlig tro eachdraidh agus òrain, litreachais is ealain an latha an-diugh.

Ged nach robh e comasach dhuinn taic a chumail ris an Urras tron chuairt mu dheireadh den sgeama tabhartasan Taic Freumhan Coimhearsnachd againn, tha sinn dèanamh fiughair cleachdadh na Gàidhlig fhaicinn mar phàirt den na comharrachaidhean *Air Safari* de 10 bliadhna den Ghrèis-bhrat Sliochd na h-Alba, is sinn air taic a chumail ris na chiad eadar-mhìneachaidhean Gàidhlig ann an 2014.

Bha Gàidhlig an cànan a bh' aig mòran den fheadhainn a dh' imrich air feadh an tadhail a tha a-nis buntainn do shliochd na h-Alba, is tha e iomchaidh gu bheil Gàidhlig air a chleachdadh airson a bhith comharrachadh na choilean iad sna tìrean ùra aca.

Tha sinn air taic a thabhann dhan Urras a-cheana airson diofar pròiseactan gus daoine a bhrosnachadh a bhith dol an sàs ann an cuspairean ri linn a' Bhlàir tro mheadhan na Gàidhlig is a bharrachd air a sin a' cumail taic ri clasaichean Gàidhlig ann an Lodainn an Ear, is seo air fìor diofar

I would like to state that Bòrd na Gàidhlig are supportive of the Battle of Prestonpans [1745] Heritage Trust's work in promoting the awareness and use of Gaelic through both history and present-day song, literature and art.

While we were unable to provide support to the Trust through our most recent Taic Freumhan Coimhearsnachd community grant scheme, we look forward to seeing the inclusion of Gaelic within the *On Safari* 10th anniversary celebrations of the Scottish Diaspora Tapestry, having supported the original Gaelic interpretations in 2014.

Gaelic was the language spoken by many of those who emigrated across the world to become today's Scottish diaspora and the use of the language is a fitting tribute to their contributions to their new homes.

We have previously worked with the Trust on several projects to encourage people to engage with topics relating to the Battle through the medium of Gaelic as well as more generally providing support for Gaelic classes in East Lothian,

a dhèanamh ri faicsinneachd is cleachdadh na Gàidhlig san sgìre.

Bhiodh Bòrd na Gàidhlig gu math toilichte cumail oirnn le bhith obair leis an Urras sna bliadhnaichean a tha romhainn is bu mhath leinn taing a thoirt dhuibh, taighean-tasgaidh Lodainn an Ear, luchd-tabhartais is luchd-obrach saor-thoileach a tha leigeil leis an obair seo tachairt airson na h-obrach aca ann a bhith brosnachadh aire is cleachdadh na Gàidhlig ann an Lodainn an Ear is air feadh na h-Alba.

Tha sinn a' guidhe gach soirbheachas dhuibh leis na comharrachaidhean am-bliadhna agus ann a bhith sireadh taic-airgid a dh' ionnsaigh obair an Urrais agus dèanamh fiughair obair còmhla ribh san àm ri teachd.

Leis gach deagh dhùrachd,



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and this has made an appreciable difference in the visibility and use of the language in the area.

Bòrd na Gàidhlig would be very happy to continue engaging with the Trust in the coming years and would like to thank you, East Lothian museums, donors and volunteers that enable this work for their efforts in promoting awareness and use of Gaelic within East Lothian and across Scotland.

We wish you every success with this year's celebrations and in applications to support the Trust's work and are more than happy to discuss your work at any time.