

BREASCLETE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting – Wednesday 7th September 2016

Present: Ranald Fraser, Noreen MacDonald, Angus A. MacKenzie, Kenny J. MacLennan, Jinty Morrison, Angus Smith, John M. Smith.

Apologies: Elizabeth MacBain, James Crawford, Cllrs. Angus Morrison and Donald MacLeod

Minutes: Minutes dated 6th July 2016 were approved by Kenny J. MacLennan and Angus Smith.

Matters Arising:

Lighthouse keeper's memorial – planning approval for the memorial has been received from the Comhairle; awaiting confirmation later this month of the various funding bids to the Bealach Project, Sgioba na Gaidhlig, Celebrate Scotland, Club Gniomhachas nan Gaidheal and the Northern Lighthouse Board.

Patient transport – Angus Smith awaiting results of enquiries for suitable transport, and it was suggested that a survey to ascertain the level of demand/economics of the project be undertaken meanwhile.

Floodlights – Clerk to contact James MacArthur, Technical Service for a progress report on the four new heads required for the playground and war memorial.

Breasclete shore line – Kenny John to contact the owner of the boat trailer to arrange its removal.

Crofting Issues – things are moving on, calls for the Crofting Act 2010 to be re-done; constant pressure on the Crofting Commission with the Chief Executive leaving, and no resolution to the grazing committees' problems.

Correspondence emailed – Scottish Islands Federation survey, Scottish Resilient Communities Conference, Building Standards & Planning Service update, Generations working together invite, W.I. Children's Humorous Photo Competition, Emailed - Europe Direct newsletter July & August, LEADER July & August newsletter, Calmac Summer 2017 Timetable, CnES Winter Maintenance Service, Volunteer Centre W.I. AGM, Socio Economic Updates.

Rural Lewis Locality Planning Group – minutes 27/7/16 circulated to members. Jinty advised September meeting well attended, talk about two council homes in Stornoway which are due for replacement; the need for care homes or hubs in Rural Lewis Locality; the general policy to encourage people to stay in and move into community. Need to get the right people involved in the locality planning process and explore the capacity in all areas. If the Acute Mental Health ward is to close, there will be a need for a place of safety.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS - none

Date of next meeting – Wednesday 5th October 2016