

Uig Community Council

Minutes of Meeting

TITLE : Uig Community Council

DATE : 09-04-18

TIME : 7.30pm

VENUE : Uig Community Centre

DISTRIBUTION : To all Council Members

Present: W. Greer, G. Attrill, R. Fraser, C. Maclean, N. A. Macdonald, C. Mackenzie, L. Darley.

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1	Apologies J. Maciver, A. Morrison, D. Maciver.		
2	Approval of Minutes Minutes of meeting held on 5th March 2018, approved by WG, seconded by GA.		
3	Finance Balance stands at £3,547.67. There are no outstanding transaction. Payment for Bus Services has been received.		
4	Correspondence E-mails forwarded to members - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning - weekly lists.. • E-mail from Belle Ann Scott, forwarded message and attachment regarding RNLI Area Lifesaving Groups. Other correspondence - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-mailed regular notice to Uig News. Acknowledgement received. • Letter received by C. Mackenzie from C. A. Murray regarding Uig News' proposed dispersal of funds. This was raised at the last meeting and is an agenda item. JMacl replied to original letter, suggesting that the group should attend the next Community Council meeting to discuss. • E-mails from Belle Ann Scott - invitation to Scottish Land Commission public meeting. This was subsequently 'recalled'. • E-mail from Belle Ann Scott - invitations to Association of Lewis Community Councils and Lewis Ferry Transport Forum, together with attachments for Proposed Constitution and Calmac briefing note. Agenda item. 		

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5	Challenge Fund	As the time is nearing for applications to the next Challenge Fund grant, members were asked for any suggestions. Help towards the new Play Park was suggested - CMacL to follow-up the possibility.	CMacL	
6	Association of Lewis Community Councils & Lewis Transport Forum	LD attended both meetings on 28th March, held in CnES Council Chamber. Association of Lewis Community Councils. Discussed the proposed formation of an association in Lewis (Similar associations established in the Uists and Harris). A draft Constitution has been produced. The association would aim to allow Community Councils to establish joint campaigning on strategic matters; provide a Lewis-wide viewpoint; share experiences; co-ordinate resources; offer increased opportunities for engagement with politicians and public bodies (e.g. CalMac and Loganair). Each CC would be represented by a nominated member, but a deputy could stand-in if the nominated member were unable to attend a meeting. The next meeting is proposed for early May. Local Transport Forum. Discussed the formation of a Local Transport Forum for Lewis (Barra, Uists & Benbecula, and Harris already have groups). The meeting was led by Iain Mackinnon, Director of Technical Services, and Finlay Macrae, Area Operations Manager - North, CalMac Ltd. The forum would allow for engagement with users and non-users in any transport redesign processes. Intention is to allow a single consensus on transport issues regarding Lewis. Approximately four meetings a year are envisaged, and a possibility to appoint a single person to represent a group of Community Councils.		
7	Meeting with Uig News group	Members of Uig News group were invited to discuss points raised in an article in the February issue, but they were unable to attend the meeting. Agreed - to send a request for a correction to be made in the next issue, in relation to the article. Group to be informed of date of next meeting.		
8	AOCB	Matter of telephone masts and mobile signals. NAMacD reported that there is no firm news as to the service as there appears to be some work necessary on the existing mast and the three news masts in Uig. Fibre broadband connection for Uig and Bernera is still on the table and still has a way to go. GA reported that Uig Community Shop have raised concerns about holiday-makers using, and filling, the shop refuse bins (and not closing the lids). Cleansing Dept. are to be requested to make an assessment to see if there are adequate public rubbish bins in Uig. GA has been contacted by three residents in Breanish, who have unilaterally undertaken repairs to the slipway at Mealista, asking for funding for concrete.		
9	Date and Time of Next Meeting	Monday 4th June 2018, at 7.30. Agreed to hold two-monthly meetings during summer.		