

# Uig Community Council

## Minutes of Meeting

**TITLE** : Uig Community Council

**DATE** : 13-08-18

**TIME** : 7.30pm

**VENUE** : Uig Community Centre

**DISTRIBUTION** : To all Council Members

**Present:** W. Greer, R. Fraser, C. Mackenzie, C. Maclean, L. Darley.

Donald Martin, HM Lord-Lieutenant for the Western Isles.

Item	Summary and Action	Who?	When?
	CMacK (Vice-Chair) welcomed Donald Martin to the meeting.		
<b>1</b>	<b>Apologies</b> G. Attrill, N. A. Macdonald, J. Maciver, D. Maciver, A. Morrison, A. Murray.		
<b>2</b>	<b>Visit and presentation by Donald Martin, HM Lord-Lieutenant for the Western Isles</b> The Lord-Lieutenant of the Western Isles Donald Martin attended the meeting and gave a talk on his role as Lord-Lieutenant. Mr Martin is hoping that through Community Councils and community groups the public will be made more aware of the Honours system, Royal Garden Party nominations, Messages of Congratulations from Her Majesty The Queen and Voluntary service awards so that communities and individuals in the Western Isles can benefit from these opportunities. A summary of his presentation is appended to these minutes.		
<b>3</b>	<b>Approval of Minutes</b> Minutes of meeting held on 4th June 2018, approved by CMacK, seconded by WG.		
<b>4</b>	<b>Finance</b> Balance stands at £3,227.67. This includes approximately £1,600, which is ring-fenced for fencing at Uig Community Shop. The audited account books have now been returned from CnES. A further signatory is required for the bank account. LD agreed to take this on and will visit the bank to set up.	LD	

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5	<p><b>Correspondence</b></p> <p>E-mails forwarded to members -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning - weekly lists..</li> <li>• E-mail from Belle Ann Scott, forwarded copy of Lewis ACC Constitution and Minutes of Meeting on 23rd May 2018.</li> <li>• E-mail from Belle Ann Scott, request by Paul Nelis Scottis Community Development Centre, requesting members to complete Community Council survey.</li> <li>• E-mail from Karen Peteranna, NHS Western Isles, re. Paths for All 'Health Walk Grant Fund'. Also forwarded to Gallan Head Trust.</li> <li>• E-mail from Alice Murray, passing on letter from her manager, regarding HMI Inspection.</li> <li>• Letter from Peter Brett Associates, requesting feedback re. Outer Hebrides STAG Appraisal.</li> <li>• E-mail from Mairi A Maciver, Development Plan Manager, CnES, re. Local Development Plan Supplementary Guidance lists consultation.</li> <li>• E-mail from Scotland's Chief Officer, Invitation to SFRS National Training Centre demonstration of firefighting technology.</li> <li>• E-mail, news from Scottish Community Council Survey in May.</li> <li>• E-mail from Belle Ann Scott, re. Marine (Scotland) Act 2010 Part 4 Marine Licensing, request for views.</li> <li>• E-mail from Ian Graham, Chief Inspector, re. Focus Group for LAP Programme.</li> <li>• E-mail from Belle Ann Scott, forwarded from Lynn Sharp, re. Making Places Initiative.</li> </ul> <p>Other correspondence -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• E-mailed regular notice to Uig News. Acknowledged.</li> <li>• E-mail from Karen MacRae, North Harris Trust &amp; Scottish Natural Heritage, project to quantify extent of Gunnera in Western Isles.</li> <li>• E-mail from Isabel Macleod, Anderson Macarthur, re Baile na Cille Graveyard, requesting more information - replied to. ** Agenda Item.</li> <li>• Various e-mails from Donald Martin HM Lord Lieutenant for the Western Isles, re. presentation to Uig Community Council.</li> <li>• Received by Royal Mail, returned audited accounts from CnES</li> </ul>		

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6	<p><b>Challenge Fund</b></p> <p>Following e-mails and meetings with Mairi Macdonald and Alice Murray, application forms have been complete; “. . . applying for funding of £2,000 to contribute toward the cost of Uig Community Centre Association upgrading and extending existing Play Park Facilities, located in the grounds of Uig Community Centre. This will provide smaller equipment suitable for children under five years of age, and will accommodate the Sgoil Araich age group.” Completion Late Spring 2019.</p> <p>Application sent to CnES 18th July (delivered by hand 19th July - acknowledgement received). Closing date for application was 7th August.</p>		
7	<p><b>Baile na Cille Graveyard</b></p> <p>Extensive searches have been made on the Internet - notes taken, but unable at present to find who owns or is responsible for the graveyard.</p> <p>LD called at Anderson Macarthur offices to enquire as to best way forward. Spoke to Isabel Macleod, Associate, who said she would look into it. She warned that unless a simple answer was found, it could start costing considerable sums in search fees.</p> <p>On 27th July received e-mail from Isabel stating that initial searches had not come up with anything, and requesting location and a plan so that she could ask the Registers of Scotland to do a thorough search. Replied on 31st July with information including GPS coordinates and OS Grid references, taken from Ancient Monuments web-site.</p> <p>WG reported that Mr. Gollin had mentioned to a member of the public that Historic Scotland had agreed to pay for the fencing to be fixed. As no feedback has been received from Mr. Gollin since the last community council meeting, LD to contact him to confirm that this is the case.</p>	LD	
8	<p><b>Road Signs at Bernera Road end.</b></p> <p>Reported that the road sign to Uig is still missing at Bernera Road end. RF to check, take photographs and prompt relevant CnES department.</p>	RF	
9	<p><b>Uig Community Centre Shed</b></p> <p>Agreed that Uig Community Council will submit an application to CnES planning for new shed at Uig Community Centre.</p>	CMack	
10	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>E-mail from Karen MacRae, North Harris Trust. North Harris Trust and Scottish Natural Heritage are embarking on a project to quantify the extent of Gunnera (commonly known as Giant Rhubarb) across the Western Isles. They will then work to produce plans towards management and eradication.</p> <p>She has asked if we can arrange to give details of any plants in our area. The more detail the better, and any pictures would be appreciated.</p> <p>Agreed to ask for an article to be put in Uig News with contact to Uig Community Council. LD to send copy of e-mail to RF.</p>	LD	
11	<p><b>Date and Time of Next Meeting</b></p> <p>Monday 3rd September 2018, at 7.30.</p>		

## **THE WESTERN ISLES LIEUTENANCY**

### **Summary of presentation by Mr. Donald Martin, Lord-Lieutenant of the Western Isles**

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#### **History of the Western Isles Lieutenancy**

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Prior to 1974 the Lord-Lieutenant for the county of Ross-shire served Lewis and the Lord-Lieutenant for the county of Inverness-shire served Harris, Uist and Barra.

The Western Isles Lieutenancy was established in 1975 on the re-organisation of local government which created Comhairle nan Eilean.

The following have served as Lord-Lieutenants since the Western Isles Lieutenancy was established in 1975:

*1975 – 1983 Major Samuel Longbotham, Stornoway*

*1983 – 1993 The 5th Earl Granville, North Uist*

*1993 – 2000 The 2nd Viscount Dunrossil, North Uist*

*2001- 2016 Mr Alexander Matheson, CVO OBE, Stornoway*

*2016- present Mr Donald Martin, Stornoway*

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#### **Responsibilities of the Lord- Lieutenant**

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The responsibilities of the Lord-Lieutenant are:

Representing HM The Queen at local functions and ceremonies.

Representing the community at Remembrance and Commemorative Services.

Preparing, co-ordinating, advising and accompanying members of the Royal Family on Royal Visits to the area.

Presenting medals, awards and decorations on behalf of HM The Queen

Submitting names of local nominees for attendance at Royal Garden Parties.

Participating in local civic, voluntary and social activities.

Liaising with local units of the armed services and their associated cadets.

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#### **Deputy Lieutenants**

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If the Lord-Lieutenant is not available to attend an event the Vice Lord-Lieutenant or one of the Deputy Lieutenants will represent the Lord-Lieutenant.

In the Western Isles a total of up to ten Deputies can be appointed by the Lord-Lieutenant. The current Deputies are:

Elizabeth McAtear DL, Castlebay, Isle of Barra (Vice Lord-Lieutenant)

Margaret Doig DL, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis

Iain Macaulay DL, Coll, Isle of Lewis

George Macdonald DL, Stornoway, Isle of Lewis

Alasdair MacEachen DL, Aird, Isle of Benbecula

Katie Ann Mackinnon DL, Stockinish, Isle of Harris

Annie Macsween DL, North Dell, Isle of Lewis

The administration of the Lieutenancy is undertaken by the Clerk to the Lieutenancy. The current Clerk is Margaret Mackay whose address is Anderson Macarthur, Solicitors, Old Bank of Scotland Buildings, STORNOWAY Telephone (01851) 703356 e-mail: [margaret.mackay@anderson-macarthur.com](mailto:margaret.mackay@anderson-macarthur.com)

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#### **Nominations for an Honour**

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We all know of people who we think should be given an award for some outstanding work in our community but always assume that someone else will make the nomination. Anyone can receive an award if they reach the required standard of merit or service and it is open to anyone to nominate a person for an award. The process is very simple and straightforward. Full information and guidance notes are available on [www.direct.gov.uk/honours](http://www.direct.gov.uk/honours)

*The Lord-Lieutenant is available to give advice on the procedure for making a nomination.*

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## The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

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The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service (QAVS) is regarded as the MBE for the voluntary organisations and is given to recognise exceptional work by any voluntary organisation working in the community. To date two organisations have been awarded the QAVS in the Western Isles – GAIN Play Area, Eoropie Ness and Spòrs Nis in Lionel, Lewis.

*As Lord-Lieutenant I am anxious to encourage more nominations from our many excellent voluntary organisations in the Western Isles. Further information can be obtained on [www.gov.uk/queens-award-for-voluntary-service](http://www.gov.uk/queens-award-for-voluntary-service)*

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## The Queen's Awards for Enterprise

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The Queen's Awards for Enterprise is a highly prestigious award for outstanding achievement by UK businesses in the categories of Innovation, International Trade, Sustainable Development and Promoting Opportunity through Social Mobility.

*Check to see if your business is eligible to apply by obtaining further information on [www.gov.uk/queens-awards-for-enterprise](http://www.gov.uk/queens-awards-for-enterprise)*

### Anniversaries

On the occasion of the 100th birthday of a person or the Diamond Wedding anniversary of a married couple a signed greeting and message of congratulations will be received from HM The Queen.

For a 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday or Diamond Wedding Anniversary message, it is necessary to make an application and this should be done by completing an application form which can be obtained at [www.anniversaries.gsx.gov.uk](http://www.anniversaries.gsx.gov.uk).

If the family wish to have the 100th Birthday or Diamond Wedding Anniversary message delivered personally by the Lord-Lieutenant, as The Queen's representative, this can be arranged by contacting the Clerk to the Lieutenancy, Margaret Mackay at (01851) 703356 or e-mail: [margaret.mackay@anderson-macarthur.com](mailto:margaret.mackay@anderson-macarthur.com)

The visit will be brief and will only last as long as it takes to hand over the message and have a photo taken if this is the wish of the family.

Further information on the work of the Lieutenancy is available from:

Donald Martin, HM Lord-Lieutenant of the Western Isles,

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