

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF KINLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 13 JUNE 2017 AT 8.00PM IN BALALLAN OLD SCHOOL.

PRESENT: Iain Maciver Peter MacIennan
Kenneth R Mackay Sandra Macdonald
Colin Brand P C Donald Maclean
Cllr Angus Morrison Cllr Ranald Fraser

The Chairman welcomed all present to the June meeting of the Kinloch Community Council and extended a special welcome to Cllr Angus Morrison and Cllr Ranald Fraser. Cllrs Morrison and Fraser told the meeting that they will attend Community Council meetings as follows:

Cllr Morrison – Kinloch, North Lochs, Uig/Berneria
Cllr Fraser – Carloway, Breasclete, Uig/Berneria

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies received from Donald MacIennan.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11.04.17 were approved, proposed by Ken Roddy and seconded by Colin.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

(a) **AUDIT SCOTLAND – FERRIES AUDIT**

Concerns raised over major issues with bookings on Stornoway to Ullapool and Tarbert to Uig sailings. The lack of ferry capacity, with a very busy summer schedule, has had major implications for businesses and accommodation providers and not least for patients travelling to mainland hospitals for appointments. Angus and Ranald are to take concerns to meeting of Transportation Committee tomorrow and will report back.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) **Masters Dissertation** – Email received from Debbie Butts re dissertation on cultural change in the Western Isles. Agreed that Kinloch Historical Society would be the most appropriate place for her to conduct her research – Clerk to arrange.

(b) **MCWT Small Grant Fund** – Letter from Helen Sandison inviting the Community Council to receive and administer grant for the current year. This was agreed, Clerk to confirm. Last year's grants were distributed as follows:

£100 – Lochs Children's Christmas Party

£200 – Lochs Walking Football Club

£1000 – Loch Show – Grass cutting at Laxay old cemetery

£3700 – Kinloch Community Council – upgrading Laxay walkway paths

(c) **Loch Show – Grass Cutting** – Letter received from Peter MacIennan, Chairperson of Lochs Show committee requesting funding of £1000 to go towards grass cutting at Laxay old cemetery. Agreed.

(d) **CNES – CHALLENGE FUND** – Letter from CNES inviting Community Councils to apply for Challenge Fund, which has been set at £21,000 for the current financial year. Closing date for applications is 8 August 2017. Projects to be discussed further.

5. **A.O.C.B.**

(a) **Fly Tipping** - Concerns raised over local fly tipping. Ken Roddy to check area behind Tomair housing scheme tomorrow and report back.

(b) **Road Safety** – Road safety matters were raised and discussed, the two outstanding matters being motorcyclists carrying out stunts on Lochs road and complaints regarding cyclists on local roads. PC MacLean took note of these issues and encouraged the public to contact the police if they believe there was a road safety issue with any vehicle. He also told the meeting the importance of good driver behaviour in regard to cyclists on the local roads. Discussion also took place regarding the serious lack of parking space available at the Langabhat Medical Practice in Luerbost. Cllr Morrison told the meeting that this matter is currently under review.

6. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 13 June 2017 at 8.00pm in Balallan Old School.