

Minute/Note of Meeting	TITLE	NHCC		
	DATE	27TH JANUARY 2020	TIME	
	VENUE	TARBERT COMMUNITY CENTRE		
	DISTRIBUTION	COMMITTEE MEMBERS, COUNCILLORS, CNES		

Present:	JOHN MACLEOD, AGNES MORRISON, CLLR JG MITCHELL, ROBERT MACKINNON. KAREN MACDONALD, CATHERINE MACDONALD ,CLLR PAUL FINNEGAN, GRANT FULTON, JOHN M MORRISON
Apologies:	CLLR CUNNINGHAM, DIANA MACLENNAN, MARGO MACLEOD, PC DAVID FRASER

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1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES	THE MINUTES OF 02.12.19 WERE PROPOSED – CATHERINE MACDONALD SECONDED – ROBERT MACKINNON AS BEING AN ACCUARATE ACCOUNT OF THE MEETING		
2 MATTERS ARISING	THE DEVELOPMENT ON THE SITE OF THE OLD POLICE STATION HAS BEEN PUT OUT TO TENDER AGAIN. ATM – CLLR FINNEGAN HAD ALREADY SPOKEN TO THE COMPANY LAST YEAR RE SIGNAGE BUT HE WILLCONTACT THEM AGAIN THE DRAINAGE AT SCOTT ROAD IS TIED INTO THE WORK AT THE POLICE STATION SITE SO WILL BE WORKED ON WHEN THAT STARTS AGAIN. THE ROAD AT THE BRIDGE AT SCOTT ROAD IS NARROW AND DARK AND IF YOU MEET ANOTHER CAR THERE YOU ARE LIABLE TO GO INTO THE DITCH AT THE SIDE OF THE ROAD CLLR FINNEGAN WILL SPEAK TO M MACRITCHIE ABOUT THIS. THERE IS ALSO A PROBLEM WITH FLOODING AT THE BACK OF THESE HOUSES AND IT USED TO BE HHP POLLCY TO CHARGE RESIDENTS FOR ANY COSTS CONNECTED TO THIS CLLR FINNEGAN SAID THIS IS NO LONGER THE CASE.	PF PF	
3 HIAL STORNOWAY	JOHN MACLEOD BROUGHT UP THE NEW POLICY REGARDING AUTOMATION OF STORNOWAY AIRPORT. IN THE PAST FEW WEEKS THE FERRIES HAVE NOT BEEN RUNNING DUE TO THE WEATHER AND ONCE THIS SYSTEM IS IN PLACE IT WILL BE AFFECTED BY HIGH WINDS WHICH WOULD MEAN THAT THE FLIGHTS WOULD ALSO NOT RUN LEAVING THE ISLANDS COMPLETELY CUT OFF.THE CLLRs SAID THIS ISSUE HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR A WHILE AND THE COMHAIRLE ARE NT HAPPY WITH THIS SYSTEM EITHER.		

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4 CROWN ESTATES COMMUNITY FUNDING	<p>CLLR MITCHELL SAID THAT IN 2014 THE SMITHS COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED AND SAID THEY WERE DECENTRALISING CROWN ESTATE FUNDS AND IT WOULD BE GIVEN TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES TO DISTRIBUTE. (CNES WILL HAVE 1.7MILLION)</p> <p>THE HARRIS FORUM HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING THIS AND HARRIS AND SOUTH LOCHS ARE BEING AWARDED £165500 (SOME OF THESE FUND WILL HAVE BEEN ALREADY ALLOCATED) THERE IS MONEY (£30000) INCLUDED TO SET UP COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS IN EACH AREA BUT HARRIS HAS THIS ALREADY WITH THE HARRIS FORUM AND CLLR MITCHELL HAS CHECKED AND THE MONEY WILL STILL BE ALLOCATED AND CAN BE USED ELSEWHERE. THERE IS A DEADLINE OF THE END OF MARCH FOR ANY PROJECTS TO BE SUBMITTED FOR THIS MONEY AND ANY MONEY ALLOCATED MUST BE USED BY SEPTEMBER 2020. THE HARRIS FORUM DOES NOT HAVE FINANCIAL STATUS BUT WILL TAKE BIDS FOR THIS FUNDING & CHECK ELIGIBILITY WHICH WILL THEN BE DISCUSSED WITH THE COUNCILLORS AND CNES. THIS ISSUE IS TIME CRITICAL BECAUSE OF THE APPROACHING DEADLINE SO IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ANY BIDS ARE SENT TO THE HARRIS FORUM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. IT WAS AGREED TO PUT THIS ON THE AGENDA AT THE NEXT CC MEETING AND TO COME UP WITH SOME PROJECTS IF POSSIBLE.</p> <p>THIS MONEY WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE IN 2021 ALTHOUGH THE AMOUNT IS NOT GUARANTEED</p>	<p>CC COMMITTEE</p>	
5 RURAL TOURIST INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – ROUND 3	<p>CLLR MITCHELL SAID THAT THEY HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY SARAH MACLEAN OF RTIF ON THE 10TH JANUARY TO SAY DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS FOR THIS FUNDING WAS 22ND JANUARY. PREVIOUS APPLICANTS WERE HELD ON RECORD AND NEED NOT RE APPLY. IN ROUND ONE THE HUSHINISH GATEWAY WAS AWARDED MONEY, IN ROUND TWO THERE WERE NO AWARDS FOR HARRIS DESPITE A BID BY HORGABOST CAMPSITE FOR HELP WITH UPGRADING FACILITIES. CLLR MITCHELL SAID HE HAD ASKED SHCC TO WRITE TO RTIF AS A MATTER OF URGENCY AND BEFORE THE DEADLINE TO EXPRESS THEIR SUPPORT FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HORGABOST CAMPSITE HOWEVER DISAPPOINTINGLY THIS HAS NOT BEEN DONE. THE DEADLINE HAS NOW PASSED.</p>		
6 HARRIS FORUM UPDATE	<p>GRANT FULTON SAID CLLR MITCHELL HAD COVERED A LOT OF WHAT THE FORUM WERE DEALING WITH AT PRESENT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CROWN ESTATES FUNDING • STRUCTURE OF HARRIS FORUM & MEMBERSHIP • DRAWING UP A CONSTITUTION FOR THE FORUM – WHICH MOST GROUPS HAVE AGREED ON AND SHOULD BE DECIDED ON AT THE NEXT MEETING • STEPHEN MACKINNON FROM SHCC IS NOW SECRETARY FOR THE FORUM • THERE WILL ALSO BE A CHAIRPERSON ELECTED FOR A PERIOD OF A YEAR RATHER THAN A ROTATING CHAIRPERSON AS THEY HAVE AT PRESENT • PEGGY MACKAY FROM THE COMMUNITY CARE FORUM IS TO BE INVITED TO JOIN THE 		

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	<p>FORUM.</p> <p>HOUSING IS AN ON GOING ISSUE AND CLLR FINNEGAN IS NOW ON THE BOARD OF HHP, THERE ARE 49 ON THE WAITING LIST FOR HOUSES IN HARRIS JUST NOW AND CLLR MITCHELL EXPRESSED HIS CONCERNS THAT PEOPLE WHO WERE ABLE TO SECURE WORK HERE WERE NOT ABLE TO COME BECAUSE THERE WAS NO AFFORDABLE HOUSING. £26 MILLION HAS BEEN ALLOCATED BY THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT FOR HOUSING OVER A 3 YEAR PERIOD AND AT PRESENT ONLY 1.5% OF THAT HAS COME TO HARRIS WITH ONLY 4 UNITS BEING BUILT. GRANT FULTON SAID THAT THERE WAS PRIVATE DEVELOPEMENT ABOUT TO GO TO PLANNING FOR LEVERBURGH. SCOTT ROAD HAD BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A SITE FOR HOUSES BUT IT WAS FELT THAT FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS THAT WAS NOT A SUITABLE SITE. THEY MAY HAVE AN IMPACT ON THE WATER SUPPLY TO THE DISTILLERY WHICH WOULD CAUSE MAJOR ISSUES. ALSO THERE WOULD NEED TO BE A LARGE NUMBER OF CAR SPACES AND THE ROAD TO SCOTT ROAD IS NOT EQUIPPED TO DEAL WITH HEAVY TRAFFIC.</p> <p>HOUSES IN TARBERT SEEM TO BE WHAT EVERYONE WANTS AND HOUSES IN OTHER AREAS ARE NT BEING ACCEPTED BY PEOPLE ON THE WAITING LIST MEANING LARGE (3 BEDROOM) HOUSES ARE BEING ALLOCATED TO SINGLE PEOPLE. SO THERE IS HOUSING AVAILABLE JUST NOT IN TARBERT. RMK ASKED WHY THEY DID NT LOOK AT SITES OUTWITH TARBERT FOR EXAMPLE ON DIERACLET COMMON GRAZING.</p>		
FUNDING APLICATIONS	<p>AT PRESENT THE NHCC HOLD £4700 FROM THE MUAITEABHAL FUND AND JUST UNDER £4000 OF CC MONEY. THE FOLLOWING APPLILCATIONS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED</p> <p>MAIRI MACIVER – SHE IS RUNNING A SCHEME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WITH ADDITIONAL SUPPORT NEEDS AND OPPOURTUNITY TO ORGANISE AND LEAS A PROJECT THAT WILL IMPROVE THEIR LIFESKILLS AND MIGHT LEAD TO EMPLOYMENT WHEN THEY LEAVE SCHOOL. THEY WILL RUN A COMMUNITY HUB FROM THE COMMUNITY CENTRE IN TARBERT SERVING TEAS AND COFFEES AND GIVING PEOPLE SOMEWHERE TO MEET AND A PLACE WHERE ORGANISATIONS EG NHS CAN MEET WITH PEOPLE. THERE WILL BE NO CHARGE FOR THESE HOWEVER THEY ARE BEING CHARGED FOR THE USE OF THE HALL SO ARE LOOKING FOR SOME FINANCIAL HELP. THE HALL IS £45 A WEEK. IT WAS AGREED TO GIVE THEM £600 FROM CC FUNDS AS THIS DOES NOT FIT THE MUAITEABHAL TRUST CRITERIA.</p> <p>ANDREW MORRISON FROM HARRIS FOOTBALL CLUB HAD SENT IN AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING FOR THE CLUB FOR THE COMING SEASON. HE HAD SAID HE UNDERSTOOD IF WE WERE UNABLE TO HELP THIS YEAR AS WE HAD ALREADY GIVEN LAST YEAR. THOSE PRESENT AGREED TO GIVE £1000 (MUIATEABHAL TRUST FUNDING) FOR THE COMING SEASON.</p> <p>CLLR MITCHEL SAID THAT THERE WAS MONEY AVAILABLE THROUGH WIDT(CNES) WHICH CAME FROM WIND FARMS IN LEWIS. PREVIOUSLY THIS HAD VERY TIGHT CRITERIA AND WAS ONLY FOR FUEL POVERTY AND RENEWABLES HOWEVER IT HAS NOW BEEN EXPANDED AND WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR APPLICATIONS ON THE 1ST APRIL.</p>		
AOCB	HVS MEMBERSHIP NEEDS RENEWED IF WE WISH TO CONTINUE BEING MEMBERS – IT WAS AGREED TO DO THIS.		

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	<p>RE SITE VISIT WITH THE COUNCIL LAST YEAR JMM SAID HE WAS PLEASED TO SEE THE BOLLARDS AT THE TRUST OFFICE HAD BEEN PUT IN PLACE HOWEVER HE FELT THAT THE DOOR AT AD MUNRO S SHOP WAS STILL VERY DANGEROUS AND NEEDED A RAIL. CLLR MITCHELL SAID HE WOULD LOOK INTO THIS AND ALSO INTO THE WALL AT ALLAN COTTAGE AND THE TREES BETWEEN THE T JUNCTION AND THE DOCTORS SURGERY WHICH ARE LIABLE TO BLOW OVER IF THEY GET MUCH BIGGER. AM SUGGESTED THAT PERHAPS SOMEONE SHOULD SPEAK TO AD MUNROS BEFORE ASKING FOR A RAILING AT THEIR DOOR. IT WAS AGREED TO DO THIS AS A COURTESY.</p>		
DATE OF NEXT MEETING	<p>MONDAY 2ND MARCH AT 7.30PM IN THE BOARD ROOM AT NORTH HARRIS TRUST (ITS BOOKED FOR US)</p>		