

North Lochs Community Council

Minutes of Meeting

Wednesday 30th June 2021 @ 7.30pm, Virtually over Zoom

Present

Robbie Mackenzie – Chairperson
Coleen Macleod – Secretary
Sarah Macdonald
Bruce Mackenzie
Angus Morrison – Councillor

Apologies

Sarah McIver - Treasurer
Maggie Smith – Vice Chairperson
Annabel Mackay
Iain Macaskill

Agenda

1. Chairperson's welcome.

- Robbie Mackenzie (Chairperson) welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting.

- Sarah Macdonald proposed minutes from previous meeting. Bruce Mackenzie seconded.

3. Matters from previous meeting/Update from Angus Morrison - CNES.

Speeding/Dangerous Driving

- Continuing to monitor. Number plates have been noted.

Crown Estate Fund

- In July will find out what is happening with this. When the funding is launched CLD will contact groups. NLCA contacted groups regarding the funding and there was no response from groups.

CLD Update – Erica Clark & Eilidh Mackay

- Erica Clark joined us at tonight's meeting. Erica has 7 hours for reaching out to groups in the community covering North Lochs down to Balallan.
- So far, Erica has been reaching out the groups in the community.
- Erica is willing to work with NLCC to offer support to any groups struggling/needing extra support e.g., Silver Darlings.
- Crown Estate Fund – Erica will try and support groups to apply to this.
- Erica invited members to email her if there is anything they would like to discuss further with her.

- Eilidh Mackay has 7 hours focused on working with school/youth work in community covering North Lochs to Balallan. Has worked with P7's in Sgoil nan Loch.

Development Post/Worker

- Good news regarding development worker. CNES have managed to get a company to take on the employment rights of the worker, a company called 'Adhartas'. It is through the CNES. 'Adhartas' is an apprentice and graduate scheme. Taking over admin side of employment. Someone from both forms needs to coordinate the workers day to day/weekly duties.
- 2-year post – funding available for 1 year +. There is shortfall to make it a 2-year post. 2-year post appropriate to begin with to give someone a chance to apply.
- Final stages of job description. Hopeful that Iain MacAskill will have this by end of week to share with the executive committee and community association.
- Preferably, a graduate from Lochs to apply and fill role.
- Worker will be working from home. Funding will be put in place to buy IT equipment.
- Trying to find the short fall of funding at the moment. £6k bracketed for this. Looking at salary of £23k. Dolina working on funding application for this to make up the shortfall. May need to take £2-3k from Crown Estate Fund for this.
- Hoping to have someone in post by mid to end September at the latest. Development worker appointed will also work with CLD.

Issues with ferry bookings continues.

4. NLCA Business.

There was a NLCA meeting last night. Discussed possibility of buying a marquee for the community to use. Discussion of better internet demand. Renovations of hall continue – waiting for items to come for the café area.

5. AOB and Correspondence.

Crown Estate Funding Enquiry – Play Park

- Robbie Mackenzie visited Rona Macdonald who for more information regarding enquiry for a play park in Drium an Aoil. It was found that area was not big enough to have a playpark. Angus Morrison agreed. There is already a playpark by NLCA hall and at the school. NLCC will be not going further with this enquiry.
- Erica Clark will find out if playpark in school is open out of school hours.

Boundaries Scotland

- They are changing next May. Two in current ward.

CnaG worker

- The individual that applied left the post but there is no further update on this.

Community Paths Grants Scheme – Paths for All

- Possibility of looking into a new path in the North Lochs area.
- CLD (Erica & Eilidh) may work on this together. Erica is going to check where excess funding can come from to go towards the possibility of new walking paths in North Lochs.

Secretary Role

- Unfortunately, Coleen Macleod (secretary) cannot continue the role of secretary as she is relocating to Inverness for her primary teaching probation year and does not know what is ahead of her in the future. Coleen has enjoyed her time as the secretary of NLCC and wishes the group well.
- A new secretary for the NLCC needs to be appointed.

Next meeting to be held on the Wednesday 1st September 2021.

Chairperson Signature: _____ Date: _____