

South Harris Community Council Meeting 20/09/2022

7.30pm at Leverburgh Free Church Hall

Present – Effie MacLeod – Vice-Chair; Marion Morrison – Treasurer; Stephen MacKinnon – Secretary; Donnie MacDonald; John R MacLean

1. Apologies - Jenny MacAulay; Cllr Fulton; Cllr Finnegan
2. Minutes from previous meeting 23/8/22 – Proposed by Effie and seconded by John
3. Matters arising –

3.1 – **Effie still to speak to Judi at HVS re Christmas Lights.**

3.2 – Facebook Page to be set up imminently. Email account successfully set up.

3.3 – Shonnie paid £200 for his help with operating Community Skip as agreed at last meeting.

3.4 – Marion has spoken to Kenneth Angus who may be able to help with cutting of grass verges in village, Chris may also be a possibility. **Marion will follow up.**

4. Community Skip –

- Donnie, Marion and John met with Nick Anderson who wanted to highlight problems of the skip being located at Leverburgh Pier such as traffic and fishermen's gear being stolen (CCTV was being installed that day).
- Marion and John gave Nick the background of how difficult it was to get agreement from CNES, SEPA, and Shonnie to locate the skip in its present position.
- It was agreed that if Nick and his group can find another location with the present conditions where Shonnie looks after the skip can be found, we would consider it. It is thought this would be unlikely given the difficult we had securing current site.
- Donnie proposed that any groups we meet is done through the Chair or Vice-Chair of the group, not just individual members. **Unanimously agreed.**

5. Update from Housing Meeting – Caroline sent a note of the meeting with Alastair Allan, HHP and TIG. No updates since then re latest on purchase of land and whether proposed solution to sewage problem has been ratified – **Councillors to be asked if they have any updates.**

6. Submission of Letters of Support and Housing Need Survey – CNES Housing Survey extended to Friday 30th September. **Stephen to contact organisations who submitted letters to ask them to fill in survey as well as to ask their employees and volunteers to. SHCC will also fill in as an organisation.**

7. Rodel Toilets –

- Environmental Health visited and confirmed they can be opened with only cold water. Jobs needing done: Internal painting, toilet seat replaced, a good clean, and grass cut.
- Internal painting and grass cutting has been done by Chris Morrison.
- A locked box on the wall would be best for donations and could be emptied and counted regularly.

- Marion has bought toilet seats – need to be installed.
- Marion has made enquires on funding improvements – Island Communities Fund up to £5k; Magic Little Grants up to £500; Cal Mac Communities Fund up to £5k. HVS are willing to help write applications. **Marion will progress.**
- Mairead happy to do cleaning in Rodel toilets. Account has been opened in Clachan for cleaning suppliers, **Mairead will be made aware.**
- 2 new locks for Gens and Ladies toilets to be bought – **Marion will meet Effie on Thursday at Rodel.**

8. A.O.C.B –

- Signatories on Bank Account – Kathryn Campbell is still listed. Marion has a form from Bank which Kathryn will need to sign. **Marion to ask Jenny if she would like to become signatory.**
- Councillor Diaries – It was suggested that the Councillors could provide a list of their meeting which would help us plan better or that they could operate a rota where they rotate with each other appearing at our meetings.
- Paisley Sisters – **Marion and John to raise with Lorna MacAulay, Harris Tweed Authority prospect of funding, Caroline happy to assist. John to bring information on this project to the next meeting.**

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 25th October 7.30pm