

MINUTES OF MEETING OF KINLOCH COMMUNITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, 15 DECEMBER 2022 AT 8.00PM IN KINLOCH COMMUNITY HUB

PRESENT: Iain Maciver Ken Roddy Mackay
 Peter MacIennan Colin Brand
 Sandra Macdonald Cllr Robbie Mackenzie

APOLOGIES: Cllr Angus Morrison

1.Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of meeting held on 16.08.22 were approved.

2.Matters arising from Minutes.

(a) SKIP

CNES skip cost £95 for empty and return. Discussion whether hiring private skip would be better option. Agreed that Peter would obtain prices from Angus Maciver and Stornoway Skip Hire. Discussion also on regulating use of skip, supervision etc.

(b) CROWN ESTATE FUNDING

Email re above received this week, although might recall Policy and Resources committee to establish how it is to be distributed. Needs to be spent by end of March.

3.A.O.C.B.

(a) UISENIS WIND FARM

The announcement that the interconnector has been approved was welcomed. Eurowind had meeting with developers, every likelihood that development will go ahead. Eurowind are also looking a hydrogen development commencing in 2025/26. SSE has transferred some of their team in Shetland to Lewis for preparatory work. Uisenis are offering a 20% community ownership benefit.

(b)WARD MONEY

Old Cemetery Laxay – Road in a bad state of repair. Grass growing through the road and very wet. Needs drainage and cover. Hearses not able to drive up the road. Equally dangerous on way down to the new part of the graveyard. Possibility of MCWT or ward funding discussed. Angus had told Ken Roddy that digger was coming over to do some work. Also, some gravestones have fallen and the top of some of the bigger stones have fallen off. Possibly ring fence monies to do a proper job. Robbie will speak to Angus about this and MCWT will also look at this.

(c) MCWT

Community Council receive £5000 per year for small grants fund. Some of the last £5000 has not been spent so this needs to be spent in order to apply for the next £5000. Sgoil nan loch wished to apply to MCWT for school trip funding but were directed to speak to the Community Councils. We could accept application form Sgoil nan loch.

Application received from Cairdean Chordail Cheann a Loch requesting funding for annual trip to mainland. Agreed that £2000 to be paid to Cairden Cordail Cheann a Loch. Sandra to write Jessie Mary to inform her that their application has been approved.

Monies for skip would go into next year's grant.

(d) Warm hubs.

Robbie attended meeting re this. South Lochs also represented at meeting. North Lochs hoping to do this until KHS is able to do it as KHS cannot access kitchen and café area. Possibility of setting up two hubs, one in Luerbost and one in Kershader. Huge problems in running these hubs, eg. Catering for allergies, intolerances, first aid, etc.

(e) Keose Glebe Estate

Angus Smith has submitted a planning application to apply for planning permission through the Community Council.

(f) Audit of Accounts

Sandra to speak to Bellann re auditing of accounts.

4. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be confirmed.