# COMHAIRLE CHOIMHEARSNACHD EIRISGEIDH ERISKAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

# Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2016

#### **PRESENT**

Neil MacDonald, Donnie Steele, Angus MacDonald, Iain & MaryFlora MacKinnon.

#### **APOLOGIES**

Ronnie MacKinnon, Donald Manford.

#### MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the inaugural meeting which were not available at the previous meeting were traced, a copy available from MF is anyone requires.

Previous minutes were proposed by Iain and seconded by Angus.

### Correspondence

Ron Culley's Weekly Update.

Various e-mail's from Uisdean Robertson -

Recruiting for new Board Members for Lewis Castle College.

Socia Economic Update for Western Isles.

Increase to Croft House Grant.

Removal of Itinerant teachers and reply from Uillean MacDonald (Budget Consultation)

Angus Campbell Leader CNES to meet Association of Community Councils – *Neil attended this meeting*.

NHS Western Isles hosting a consultation event looking at hospital and health services in Uist on 3<sup>rd</sup> February.

Two press releases re Comhairle Budget Consultations meeting in Uist on 20<sup>th</sup> January – *Iain & Angus attended this meeting*.

Invitation to SNH event Lochmaddy Hotel.

#### FINANCE UPDATE

Finances in order – MF to check on monies received for Waiting Room to make sure payments are covered.

Hold up with bank forms regarding change of signatories, MF will see to this.

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#### **COMMUNUITY BUS**

All in order.

## LOCAL ISSUES

- Donnie commented that councillors are in negotiations re reinstating the five days a week plane between Benbecula and Stornoway.
- Notices still on beach Donnie/Neil will enquire about having these removed before start of tourist season.
- Street lights representative from the council likely to be in touch regarding the suspension of lights during summer months. May end of August being preferred option, site visit from council would be requested.
- Hall Car Park Pot Hole Donnie will enquire about getting this repaired.
- New summer ferry timetable and uncertainty of sailings this winter was discussed.
- Cattle grid at causeway cleared.

**NEXT MEETING** 

Monday 9th May 6.30pm.