

SANDWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Monday, 18th April 2016 – 8pm

Sandwick Community Room

MINUTES OF MEETING

SEDERUNT Mary McCormack, Willie McFarlane, Bob Walker, Michael Smith, Anne Macfarlane

COUNCILLORS Angus McCormack, Charlie Nicolson, Zena Stewart

APOLOGIES Alison Carty, Cllr Rae Mackenzie

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETINGS

Minutes of the meeting held on 24th March were approved.

MATTERS ARISING

Community room cupboard insurance, water heater, Wifi and laptops

Angus McCormack will update the Community Council when he speaks with Gordy Smith.

Community Co-ordinator Representative

Mary McCormack to make an appointment to meet with David Macleay, CNES.

Mackenzie Estate

Charlie Nicolson intimated 3 bins have been located at the Mackenzie Estate, gritting services have been agreed and discussions are taking place around the bus service.

Iolaire April meeting

Mary intimated this meeting is still to take place.

Information from Belle Anne Scott, CNES

Further information to follow on this.

LEADER Programme

Michael expressed a conflict of interest on this matter. It was agreed a draft enquiry application would be submitted with view to looking into further match funding for a 2-year post.

Community Room in Sandwick Hall

Diane agreed to write to the Director of Education for clarification on use of the community room located within Sandwick Hall.

Dog Fouling

Charlie noted banners and pavement stencils are being put in place in various areas around Stornoway to help address the persistent dog fouling issue.

GREEN SPACE

Mary read out an email received from Tamara Hedderwick, Community Enabler at Greenspace Scotland on the Tesco Bags for Help funding initiative where grants of £8k, £10k and £12k are available.

The initiative enables community groups to apply for grants to improve local green spaces which will then go forward for a public vote in Tesco in Stornoway.

Charlie suggested the lolaire path project could benefit from such funding and the Committee agreed. Charlie agreed to discuss the matter when meeting with Kirsty Smith, local community champion at Tesco. Angus McCormack agreed to speak with Viv Halcrow from Point & Sandwick to discuss appropriate for planting for the lolaire site and possible associated funding.

Diane agreed to respond to Tamara Hedderwick's email expressing an interest.

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Room booking request

A day time room booking request came through from Sarah Campbell at CNES. Diane agreed to inform her the responsibility of day time room booking is not held with Sandwick Community Council. She ought to approach the Director of Education.

Independent Candidate – Scottish Parliament Elections

A letter was received from a candidate for the Scottish Parliament Elections and forwarded to the Chair. The Chair ruled that it was not appropriate to place this letter before the Committee. No further action was to be taken.

Planning Permission

A list of local planning permission applications was distributed to members. There were no objections from any Committee members on any of the applications.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting will be held on 16th May at 7.30pm.

Mary thanked members for attending and the meeting was brought to a close.