

**MOSSEND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

**COMMITTEE MEETING 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

**SANDWICK COMMUNITY ROOM 19:00**

**MINUTES**

1. **PRESENT** Ishbal Scott, Etta Falconer, Duncan MacKay, Claire MacLeod, Donnie MacDonald, Murdina Orvis, Chrissie MacRae, PC Willie MacLeod, Angus McCormack

2. **APOLOGIES** Anna MacKenzie, Ronnie MacLean, Margaret Nicholson, Emma MacDonald

3. **MINUTES** Approved – Ishbal                      Seconded - Murdina

4. **MATTERS ARISING**

None

5. **FINANCE**

Ward Priority Fund – Money for Christmas lights has increased this year by £341.60.

Amount left to spend is £1,071.15.

Requests for support:

-Isles FM £100 – Approved

-Cruise Ambassadors – Looking for support – no amounts at present agreed in principal to support next season.

-Judo                      }      Some Stornoway Councillors have agreed to support these 2 groups.

-Lewis Pipe Band }      £50 to each group.

6. **COUNCILLORS REPORT**

*PST* – Point and Sandwick Trust. Third base complete and cables being laid by SSE. Initial works complete by end of the year and the turbines being installed in February.

*Stornoway Regeneration* – Scottish Government – Glasgow Conference. Repeat in January. Rachel McCormack presentation on Arnish and Newton developments.

*Castle Grounds Project* – Meeting postponed – officers not available. Meetings with HLF and Historic Scotland. More to report in the New Year.

*Road Markings* – Still waiting to be completed. Mossend Junction still to be marked. Steinish still to be done.

*Speeding* – East Street – made worse by cars parking on the Main Road. Mossend at Steinish Junction is also a problem. Reported to Chief Inspector Gordon MacLeod.

*Hebridean Men's Cancer Support Group* – Documentary with Mac TV. 105 men ran in the 5K race on 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

*Western Isles Poverty Action Group* – Campaign to reduce energy tariff with SSE. Further discussions taking place this week.

*Housing Strategy* – Maximum to be built about 33 per annum. Need to insulate as many houses as possible – expensive – costs about £17,000 per house.

*Further Cuts* – Shutting the council building in the evening so meeting rooms and the council Chamber will not be available. Rooms in the Nicolson Institute will be offered.

£830,000 overspend in the care system this year.

## **7. AOCB**

- Christmas lights night – Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> December

- Murdina – Van parked on Constable Road on the pavement blocking the view at the corner. Car parked on the road beside.

- Etta – Change of ferry timetable – will there be buses put on? Council meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> November to discuss. Disappointed in the lack of consultation with the Council. Hauliers have proposals Council have written to the New Minister for Transport with their concerns.

- Claire – Steinish Road End – Fly tipping at the airport gate.

- PC MacLeod – Thanks to the Committee for the Donation to the Round Table.

## **8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 27th January 2015, 7pm, Sandwick Community Room