

# **MOSSEND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION**

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL 2015**

### **MINUTES**

**PRESENT** Duncan Mackay, Michael Smith, Claire Macleod, Emma MacDonald, Angus McCormack, Murdina Orvis, Chrissie MacRae, Ishbal Scott, Donald Macleod, Anna Mackenzie, Etta Falconer

**APOLOGIES** Margaret Nicolson

**MINUTES** Minutes of the 2014 AGM were circulated, and:

Approved by – Etta Falconer  
Seconded by – Ishbal Scott

### **MATTERS ARISING**

None.

### **CHAIRPERSONS REPORT**

See attached report from the Chair.

### **TREASURERS REPORT**

See attached report from the Treasurer.

### **ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**

**Chairperson** Duncan MacKay  
**Vice Chair** Ishbal Scott  
**Treasurer** Michael Smith  
**Secretary** Claire Macleod  
**Committee** Donald Macleod, Etta Falconer, Chrissie MacRae, Anna Mackenzie, Murdina Orvis, Emma Macdonald, Margaret Nicholson.

Duncan to check with Ronald Maclean and Donnie MacDonald.

### **COUNCILLORS REPORT**

See attached Report.

1. **Transportation** – Loch Seaforth – vehicle disruption. Easter Period no seats available. Dogs in general area. No bar, drinkers amongst families causing upset. Bus leaving without passengers. Raised at Transportation Committee, written to Caledonian MacBrayne and bus company.

2. **Stornoway Regeneration** – Newton Project in partnership with HIE.
3. **WIPAG** – Children in poverty in Outer Hebrides
  - Target resources at 2000 children
  - Reduction in 2p surcharge
  - Meeting – CnES, SSE, Ofgem
  - nPower – introducing fuel vouchers
4. **PST** – On track to complete mid May.
5. **Gate Steinish Lane** – Establish who owns the gate/lane – Scottish Water and Stornoway Trust interests to be established. Area covered by pallets requires fencing. Angus to investigate and report back regarding funding required.
6. **Purdah** – Not allowed to discuss transportation matters (boats and planes) at the Transportation Committee dues to this being an election issue.
7. **SpacePort** – First discussed in April at CnES despite a press release with HIE to communicate welcoming the SpacePort proposal.
  - Serious safety factors associated with flying of Space Planes. Still in infancy.
8. **Integration with CnES and WIHB** – Discussions on governance, legal and budgetary matters. New care services for Lewis – care home proposal.
9. **South Ford Uist** – Flood in 2005 – loss of family in storm. Locals believe the causeway needs a second opening. Option to create an island (tidal). Money is an issue (Scottish Government). Campaign started in Uist to get Council to change their decision and go back to the Scottish Government seeking funds.
10. **Self Directed Support** – Buy your own care. Council has to make sure that the care is available to buy.
11. **Sandwick Community Room**
  - Tenure secure
  - Power supply to be reconnected
12. **Finance** – £7.3 million savings to be found 2016-19.
  - Capital monies needed for projects to keep trades going.
  - Need to protect care of the elderly and children.
13. **Boundary Commission** – Proposal to redesignate Sandwick and Plasterfield as part of Point. SCC oppose. Consultation July – October.
14. **European Money** – Funds opening up soon – Steinish Path Project to be revisited.
15. **Roads and White Lines** – Partially complete. Springfield Road is a concern.

### AOCB

1. **Murdina** - N reg car outside Murdina's house – left in car park. Murdina to let Duncan know if it does not move in the next few weeks.
2. **Donald** – Thanks from Bayview Gardens for the contribution received.
3. **Claire** – Letter from Sandwick Community Council for additional board representation.
4. **Michael** – Attended a fuel poverty conference. Notes distributed. Serious challenges being faces by the community.

Meeting closed at 8:20pm.

### DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 7pm.