

Benbecula Community Council

Minute of Meeting Held on 17th October 2016 at

Tagsa Uibhist Office, East Camp, Balivanich, at 7.00pm

1. Welcome and Present:

Councillors: Gail Robertson (Chair), Murdina Naylor (Vice Chair/Treasurer), C'Ilor Andrew Walker, Hugh McCormick, Roddy MacKay

2. Apologies:

Irene MacKay (Secretary), C'Ilr Robertson, C'Ilr Beaton

3. Minutes of Meeting held on 1st September 2016

Minutes proposed by Murdina, seconded by Hugh

4. Matters Arising:

- Donnie Johnson has retired from his post
- Streetlights – no update from Police Scotland. Stornoway street lights are left on for security reasons. C'Ilr Walker advised that Uist Councilors are meeting with Corporate Services and will bring this matter up again. The lack of response on this matter is not acceptable.
- Malcolm Burr to have a meeting with CC in next few weeks – BCC to email to confirm meeting – **Irene**
- C'Ilr Walker wanted also to speak about the re-cycling plant in Uist with Malcolm Burr. Catriona MacCuish post has not been filled, since she retired.
- Community Workshop – **Irene to give update**
- Benbecula/Stornoway flights – new contract is out for tender. It was still felt that NHSWI should be contributing to the costs.

5. Treasurer's Report:

- No change since last meeting of the bank statement

- Clerk fees – confirmed at £30 per meeting. CC Naylor asked for approval of 3 payments to herself for meetings in April, May and October this year – this was approved. Payment will also be made to Irene MacKay for meetings she attended pre – October.
- Bus Community Consultation (7th Sept) Chaired by David MacLeod – CC Naylor attended – issues around pick up times at Liniclate school have been resolved. Only 5 members of the public attended.
- OHCPP (14th Sept) – CC Naylor attended – good turnout. Discussion around crofts not been used to be allocated to other individuals. Speaking to communities, for community needs.
- LPG (13th Oct) – CC Naylor attended – This meeting was about Dentistry only. It was well attended. Copy of the report available to CC. Option 1 & 5 are out. With Option 2, 3 & 4 for further discussion. This will be taken to a sub- committee for discussion on the SWOT analysis done on the 13th Oct.

6. Comhairle Members' Report

- C'Ilor Walker touched on Health & Social Care/ IJB. Homecare have an under spend.
- MOSS team to be redeployed – this to be checked as this was not the understanding of CC. **C'Ilor Walker**
- Committee notes/discussions – **C'Ilr Walker** will continue to email out reports
- Mention of the South Uist Slaughter house took place
- Creagorry incinerator – Method statement never received. But it is understood that approval has been received.
- Discuss about the new business hub at the old Balivanich school needs to be discussed with Malcolm Burr. The plan to demolish the old school and build 6 units. **C'Ilr Walker to get an update on progress.**

7. Police Report

No officer able to attend.

8. AOB

- Property Torlum school – **Irene update**

- Irene to forward an email with any updates required from the previous meeting to all at BCC.
- C’Ilr Walker – Lisa MacLeod, Care Manager Tagsa Uibhist has mentioned a service user Christmas party and C’Ilr Walker has said that he will contribute and it would be maybe something that BCC would support.
- CP Partnership – population trends meeting in Tarbert. Had been for 11/12th October but this had moved to 7/8 November
- C’Ilr Walker – BCC members wished Andrew all the best for his hip replacement which he hopes will be before the end of the year.
- Meeting will take place on Wednesday 19th October to update on the old Lochmaddy Hospital.

(i) Meeting Dates

8 December 2016

9. Date & Venue of Next Meeting

As detailed above, the date of the next meeting will be on Thursday 10th November 2016 in the Tagsa Uibhist Offices.