Minutes of Meeting of the Point Community Council at the Point & Sandwick Trust Office, Knock, Isle of Lewis on Monday 14th May 2018 at 7.30 pm.

Present. Matt Bruce (Chair), Chris Mackenzie, Donald McRitchie, Cllr Alasdair Macleod and Malcolm Dalzel-Job.

Apologies. Cllrs Finlay and Norrie, Angus Lamont, Norman Macleod, PC Daniel Smith, Alec John Murray (Solo), Edmund McGregor (Treasurer), Agnes Munro.

Minutes of previous meeting. The minutes of the meeting of Mon 12 Mar were approved.

Guests attending. Nil.

Co-option of new members. Roddy Macleod (as mentioned in the previous meeting's minutes) is now part of the PCC but was unable to attend this meeting.

- 1. Matters arising form previous minutes.
 - a. **Defibrillator at Aird.** The electrician has been paid for the installation.
 - b. **The Claypark-Garrabost path white lines.** CNES Technical Services have been asked about this. Awaiting definitive answer.
 - c. **The Garrabost-Shader off-road footpath.** CM has looked into costing and will investigate designs.
- 2. **Treasurers Report.** The gravestones at the Ui Church graveyard are in need of repair. It has been agreed to put £500 towards this from the PCC funds, with further allocation of funds to be discussed at the next meeting.
- 3. **Gunnera eradication.** Two trial days of gunnera eradication took place in March and April in Bayble and Flesherin. The success has been notable, although relatively small-scale.
- 4. **Point Coastal Path.** PST Turbine Group and LEADER have offered £57k each. The money is available but fine-print is to be confirmed.
- 5. **Community Council Forum meeting in the Comhairle.** AM, CM and MDJ attended the inaugural meeting of the Lewis Forum of Community Councils (LFCC). The subsequent meeting was poorly attended (4 CCs). Full first meeting to follow soon.
- 6. **Point phone book update.** AM has an electronic copy of the last edition. MDJ will approach the school in person to ask if it could be include in the school's next year's projects. [Kathleen Macleod]
- 7. **Holding monies for CNES playparks.** PCC is not holding any monies from the CNES for this, but the Comhairle has £8k available for the playparks in Point.
- 8. Planning applications and Training issues. Nil.
- 9. **AOCB.**
 - a. **Dog fouling.** CM was invited to Sandwick CC meeting. They have an issue with dog fouling on the braighe. Possible action is for both community councils to write to the Colm Fraser at CNES to highlight the issue. MB will action.
 - b. **Litter.** This continues to be a big issue; on the braighe, in Garrabost, at Bayble Pier and along most roadsides. MDJ will start a conversation about this on the PCC Facebook page.
- 10. **DONM.** Monday 25th June 2018 and Monday 20th August, both at 7:30pm in the Point and Sandwick Trust Office.