

Minutes of Meeting of Point Community Council at PST offices, Knock, Isle of Lewis on Monday 11 March 2019 at 7.30 pm.

Present. Matt Bruce (Chair), Chris T Mackenzie, Agnes Munro, Donald Macritchie, Angus Lamont, Norman Macleod, Alex John Murray and Cllrs Finlay Stewart and Norrie T Macdonald.

Apologies. Malcolm Dalzel-Job and Cllr Alasdair Macleod.

1 Minutes of previous meeting. The minutes of the meeting of Monday 14 January 2019 were approved.

2 Matters arising from the minutes – taken as items listed below

3 Police issues. Bad parking in Garrabost close to the Bayble road end were continuing, to be reported back. MB

4 Co-option of additional members and minute taker Matt Bruce agreed to take the minutes.

5 Appointment of treasurer Donald Macritchie agreed to take over that role.

6 Garrabost Care Unit response to consultation by 20 March 2019. After discussion and agreement that it should stay open and not just for elderly, Angus Lamont agreed to draft a response (deadline date of 20 March subsequently extended till 26 April). There had been an oil leak at the building.

7 Derelict building in Garrabost an old house had been reported to the CC as being a danger. Finlay Stewart was talking with Building Control in the Comhairle about this. Matt Bruce had talked the matter over with the Garrabost grazings clerk who was related to the owner.

8 Projects for following up – discussion items

Playpark monies – CNES plus PST bid. Money from the Comhairle for 4 play parks was noted and it was agreed to try and match that with PST grant.

Gunnera removal – update from SNH. Agreed to do more work this spring to finish what we had started. SNH proposal will take 5 years.

Public Liability issues for the community council. Advice sought from the Comhairle.

Leanne Fund. Agreed to donate up to £250 for prizes for male and female runners.

Point Phone book – no progress.

9 Planning applications – none of note.

10 AOCB Agreed to invoice PSCCP for the planning fee paid; potential request from Swordale turbine group

Bridging funds for crofter self-build. Leaflet available with details from the Highland Small Communities Housing Trust.

11 Dates of Next Meetings. Monday 6 May and 24 June 2019.