

Minute/Note of Meeting	TITLE	Uist Association of Community Councils Meeting		
	DATE	Monday 10 th Feb 2020	TIME	6.30pm
	VENUE	Room 34 Sgoil Llonacleit		

Present:	Cllr Steele, Cllr MacNeil, Cllr Macleod, Angus MacDonald (Lochboisdale), Peter Bird (Iochdar), Rona Mackay (Benbecula), Andrew Muncaster (Benbecula), Donald J MacDonald (Bornish), Anne Bird – minutes, Ronnie MacPhee (Iochdar), Maria MacGoldrick (Iochdar), Graham Martindale (Lochboisdale), Joan Fergusson(North Uist), Marie Campbell (Bornish), Vanessa Langley (Benbecula).
Apologies:	Cllr MacMillan, Cllr Manford, Cllr Mackay, Angela Brass (Iochdar).

	Agenda Item	Summary	Action	Who?	When?
	minutes 10/06/19	Proposed by DJM, seconded by Cllr Macleod.			
	Aims of UACC	<p>PB referred to the Objects in para 4 in the Constitution: <In addition to any other purpose that the Association may choose to pursue, the general purpose of the Association shall be to provide aid and assistance to Community Councils throughout its area. The Association will serve also as a forum for matters of common interest to Community Councils across that area and may act as a lobbying body in respect of any areas of common interest which it has identified.></p> <p>Those present agreed that collaborative working was the way forward.</p> <p>UACC has a seat on the Outer Hebrides Community Planning Partnership.</p> <p>CnES offering training to CCs. NUCC identified 24th or 26th March as suitable dates.</p>	<p>Attend next OHCPP meeting</p> <p>Relay dates to CnES</p>	<p>DJM</p> <p>UACC</p>	<p>19th Mar</p> <p>asap</p>
	Transport	<p>Discussion re Loganair cutting services, concerns re lack of consultation.</p> <p>Concerns re HIALs proposed changes go against the Islands (Scotland) Act 2018. Letter has gone to HIAL from the 3 Island Councils i.e. CnES, Shetland and Orkney Councils.</p> <p>Concern re CalMac drydock timetable and impacts on winter service from Lochboisdale. Also concerns raised re local staffing levels.</p>	<p>Relay concerns to Loganair and Cllr Robertson, Chair of Transport Committee</p> <p>Contact HIAL sharing concerns</p> <p>Detail concerns to CalMac</p>	<p>UACC</p> <p>RM/UACC</p> <p>LCC/UACC</p>	<p>asap</p> <p>asap</p> <p>asap</p>
	Housing	<p>Discussion on housing – availability and condition of social housing stock.</p> <p>TiG are consulting re Scot Gov proposals for obligatory energy efficiency measures before sale or transfer of housing.</p>	<p>Contact WI MSP inviting a visit from Scot Gov Housing Minister.</p> <p>Contact TiG re possible dates.</p>	<p>UACC</p> <p>UACC</p>	<p>ongoing</p> <p>asap</p>
	Population	Discussion including suggestion that Climate Change is added to the rolling UACC Agenda.			
	Education	Questions raised re progress of E-Sgoil plans in Sgoil an Iochdair.	Seek an update from CnES and report back to UACC	Cllrs	ongoing

	Economic Development	<p>Next Uist Task Force meeting is in March.</p> <p>Questions raised re new legislation covering Short Stays, e.g. planning req for Air B&B etc, positive and negative impacts for tourism.</p>	<p>Bring any items to interest to next UACC meeting.</p> <p>Seek more info</p>	<p>Cllrs</p> <p>UACC</p>	<p>Ongoing</p> <p>For next meeting</p>
	Council Budgets	CnES Service Redesign is ongoing, 4 th round of Community Conversations is imminent.	Encourage participation from CCs and wider community	CCs	~18th March
	Community Council Reports	<p>BenCC, recent initiatives include looking at Drainage issues, black plastic disposal and salt bins.</p> <p>NUCC have had discussions with Police re licencing and age limits at events and prevention of drug and alcohol misuse.</p> <p>ICC, moving into Design Phase of Pathway Project, funded by Sustans .</p>	Investigate how other areas are dealing with black plastic disposal	CCs	For next meeting
	Connectivity	Discussion re recent collapse of fibre roll out due to Legal Challenge.	Contact Angus Brendan MacNeil re collapse of Fibre roll out.	UACC	asap
	Funding	<p>Discussion re managing CC funds, responding to requests for donations and applying to the Challenge Fund.</p> <p>Crown Estates Revenue £1.7 m being shared through the Wards Area Committees, deadline for applications is in March.</p>	Consider ideas for local projects and contact Cllrs.	CCs	asap
	Consultations	Discussion re proposals for CCs to mark VE day.			
	Date of Next Meeting	Monday 4 th May 2020, to be hosted by Bornish CC, Stoneybridge Hall. Meeting closed 8.45pm	Circulate date	UACC	asap