

BORNISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL Comhairle Coimhearsnachd Bhornais Minute/ Note of Meeting	TITLE	Bornish Community Council		
	DATE	15/6/2022	TIME	7.00pm
	VENUE	Stoneybridge Hall		
	DISTRIBUTION	Committee + Councillors + CnES		

Present:	Iseabail Macdonald (IMacD), Ronnie MacKenzie (RMack) , Murdo MacRury (MMacR); Marie Campbell (MC); Chrissie Laing (CL), Kenny Macdonald (KMacD) ; Cllr Iain MacLeod
Apologies:	Cllrs Susan Thompson (ST) and Paul Steele (PS). Seonag MacInnes (SMacI) Donald John MacDonald (DJMacD),
Absent:	

Agenda Item		Summary and noted	Action	Who?	When?
1	Welcome	MC chaired the meeting in DMacD's absence. She thanked everyone for attending, including new ward Councillor IMacL. The contribution of Cllrs Iain MacNeil and Calum MacMillan and Donald Manford in the past 5 years was noted			
2	Minutes	Previous minutes March 2022 agreed by those who attended the meeting	Send current minutes to Belle Anne Scott CnES	MC	
4	Financial matters	No update			

5	Matters arising	<p>Deer: No further dialogue officially between BCC and Storas or any indication of action apart from (overdue) helicopter count and some routine scaring and shooting being done by gamekeepers , but issues remain considerable and current measures largely ineffective in relation to the community.</p> <p>RMack corresponded with CEO and chair of Storas on lack of any significant action and raising issue of community consultation – no firm commitments though assurances that deer were high on Storas agenda. Eradication of deer population ruled out. Discussion on effect of major culling ie may result in remaining deer producing calves; ineffectiveness of Uist Deer Management Group ; how management was done in the past, and what next for BCC to do.</p> <p>It was agreed that we would consider using Am Paipear and seriously consider conducting our own survey of BCC area in the near future when negative effects of deer are in local people’s immediate experience.</p> <p>Drimsdale Bus Shelter –CL asked for clarification that additional costs would be met by BCC Township – this was confirmed</p> <p>Snishival Bridge – BCC organised a meeting between local residents and crofters, CnES CEO Malcolm Burr and Storas CEO Darren Taylor and DJMacD representing BCC</p>	<p>MC to circulate proposed draft questionnaire to BCC residents for comment, improvements</p> <p>Consideration of logistics and advisability of BCC taking the lead in this survey – and the options if we don’t.</p> <p>Agreement to continue dialogue with Storas for now</p> <p>Drimsdale Township and DMacD to continue to liaise</p> <p>Snishival residents to take the lead on liaising with CnES and Storas with assistance if necessary from BCC</p>	<p>All</p> <p>DJMacD</p> <p>DMacD</p>	
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		<p>Severity of the issue acknowledged by all and commitment to resolution agreed - CnES offered technical support and Storax help to identify and pursue funding opportunities.</p> <p>(Orthopedic) Dental Services No formal response to BCC from IJB/WIHB RMacK has raised issue with a wide variety of stakeholders including MSP, MP – little positive response and less action Discussion on current broader issues re IJB etc</p> <p>Co-op - MC contacted Co-op Membership Pioneer for Creagorry and Sollas co-op, Jemma MacVicar re specific issues raised . Acknowledgment of issues no immediate solutions</p>		MC	
	Uist Association of Community Councils (UACC)	<p>No recent UACC meeting.</p> <p>Ferries – recent breakfast meeting with Jenny Gilruth Transport Secretary to discuss ferries. Feedback positive – action awaited General consensus is that the issues lie with Transport Scotland and Government rather than CalMac and some of the issues that Calmac are responsible for eg sailings in inclement weather, crew rotas, use of mezzanine decks, specifications for boats Discussion on continuing role of UACC working closely with newly formed business group</p>		MC	

		South Uist and Eriskay Forum – brief outline(again) by MC re Forum and slow progress in setting up. IMacL indicated that all current elected Ward Members committed to its formation MC advised that Audit Scotland are currently looking at CnES commitment to Community Empowerment (follow up to routine work) and she has submitted a paper	Circulate paper	MC	
	Councillors' update	New Council in place and induction, training and appointments made within and to external bodies Uist & Barra Housing Group is making progress with worker now in place Discussion on Smart Clachan project and willingness of townships to release land for the accepted need for young people and families IMacL on HHP and Liscensing Committee	IMacL to circulate full list of appointments Contact Iain Watson CnES Housing Manager to clarify townships can be involve in releasing land	I MacL IMacD	
	Correspondence	List sent to members Planters offered to communities through Locality Planning Group for sheep free areas	Noted		
	AOCB				
13	Date of next meeting	tbc			