

Back Community Council Meeting
Tuesday 14th September 2021 @ 7:30pm
Loch a Tuath Community Hut
Minutes of Meeting

Present: Sara Maciver, Andrew Morrison, Neil Davis, Colin Thompson, Cllr John A Maciver, , Margaret-Ann Maciver (MA).

Apologies: Cathy MacInnes, Cllr Calum Maclean, and Kinny Davis

Chair: Cathy Macinnes

Margaret-Ann Maciver welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for attending.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes from our meeting held on Tuesday 17th August 2021 were proposed by Margaret-Ann Maciver and seconded by Colin Thompson.

Matters Arising

Development Worker

Cathy and Andrew met with Tong Recreation two weeks to discuss the development worker post. Kathryn Lamont Smith suggesting we apply for further funding to make it a 3 year post. Cathy looked over the job description, made any amendments and sent around the group for approval, so it can hopefully get advertised in the next few weeks.

Polycrub

There are been no update on this. The price of materials and the polycrub will increase so we may need to apply for additional funding from the Crown Estate. The polycrub will go in the top right hand corner of the Hut car park.

Signage at Gress Beach

Cathy will chase Iain Murdo Macdonald (Bunter) from Gress Common Grazings for an update on the signage. We are waiting for costings from Gordon Diesels for a 'leave nothing but footprints' sign. It was suggested to purchase a plastic sign so that it can't be burnt opposed to a wooden sign.

There has been no update on this. This matter will be added onto the agenda of the next meeting.

Speed Sign

This is an ongoing issue. This would work more efficiently to be hard wired and fed from the lamppost. This would be in the best interest of the Comhairle to do this and it would save BCC chasing them every week to change the batteries.

There was discussion on purchasing a second speed sign. If the Comhairle could source one, our councillors will fund it.

Loch a Tuath Communtiy Hut

The Hut was awarded £8600 from the Covid Recovery Fund to replace the walls and ceiling. The damp was caused as a result of the lack of use since March 2020. The cost of materials has increased during the pandemic and perhaps estimated the labour costs too low. MA will get quotes for works and then apply for the next round of Crown Estate Funding to fund the remaining balance.

Crown Estate

Although it's believed to be November, it will be useful to know when the next round of funding will be so we can be organised with our application forms.

Brevig Harbour Users Group

There has been no update on this. They have not asked for money yet. No further forward.

Finances

The balance stands at £59, 377.46. This includes all the crown estate funding and play park monies.

AOCB

AGM

Andrew needs to send over the Accounts. Once an AGM date is decided, we will put it in the Loch a Tuath news and encourage folk to join as the current office bearers may stand down.

Poileagan Road

The road down to the Poileagan has been repaired.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be on Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 7:30pm in the Hut.

Margaret-Ann Maciver thanked everybody for attending and closed the meeting.