Back Community Council Meeting

Tuesday 12th April 2022 @ 7:00pm Loch a Tuath Community Hut Minutes of Meeting

Present: Margaret-Ann Maciver (MA), Sara Maciver, Cathy Macinnes, Cllr Donald Crichton.

Cllr Calum Maclean, Colin Thompson, Neil Davis, Kinny Davis, Jennet McNinch.

Apologies: Cllr John A Maciver, Alex John Macleod, Andrew Morrison, Anna Tucker, Scott

Macleod, Danielle Macleod, Iain Fox.

Chair: Margaret-Ann Maciver (MA)

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 8th March 2022 were proposed by Colin Thompson and seconded by Neil Davis.

Matters Arising

1. POLYCRUB

Colin sent over a potential new position of the polycrub so it's parallel with the Hut, all in attendance are happy to go with the altered position.

There is a possibility of the polycrub obstructing the entrance to the Hut where we initially planned to place it. Colin will write to the Comann Eachdraidh and explain why it would be beneficial to have the polycrub on the left side of the building where the containers are currently placed.

Our councillors had previously asked the Comhairle to remove and relocate the containers – Calum and Donald will follow this up.

We won't be able to get volunteers until the polycrub has arrived – will wait before advertising in the Loch a Tuath News.

2. BFRC

- BFRC hope to hold the Community Shout Out Event on the 14th May between 1-4pm.
- The Easter Bunny Hop has been rescheduled for the 23rd April.

3. BREVIG HARBOUR

An application has been submitted for £50,078 for the 3rd round of funding.

4. CROWN ESTATE

Applications for the 3rd round have been submitted for the Hut, Polycrub and Brevig Harbour.

The 4th round of funding will take place in August – Will look into what projects to apply for.

5. WARD FUNDING

Ward funding can be carried over to the next financial year if it's not all used.

Gress and Vatikser Common Grazing would need to apply for funding to improve better beach access. Colin is happy to help with the grant application. We will invite both groups to future meetings to discuss.

6. DEVELOPMENT WORKER

An application has been submitted for approval of a 2 year post.

This would be a big responsibility for an employee working on a part-time basis, reporting to two groups, Back Community Council and Tong Recreation Association.

We may need to revisit this.

7. CEBac

Comann Eachdraidh own the land in front of the Hut where the polycrub and shed will be placed. BCC will be leasing this land from the Comann Eachdraidh at a cost of £50 per year.

Finances

The balance stands at £36,652.16. This includes the crown estate funding and play park monies.

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8. BREVIG TOILET

The toilets are Brevig need to be seen to but since it is the responsibility of the Comhairle, BCC are unable to deal with it. BCC will get in touch with Iain Buchanan, Assistant Harbour Master, for advice on how do we request to do it and let him know that it needs stripping and starting from scratch.

It should be the responsibility of the users group as the public have no access it.

They can apply for Crown Estate funding to do this.

9. THANK YOU

The community council would like to thank our 3 councillors for the continuous help they provide and wish them all the best in the local elections.

10. LATN

Loch a Tuath News have invited two members of the community council along to celebrate their 25th Anniversary on the 28th May. MA and Cathy will go along.

11. BFRC BUS

The bus at the Coll Centre is available for use for those in the community, not just the BFRC. The hire will be for donations only. Requests will be reviewed by the BFRC committee.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting will be on Tuesday 10th May 2022 at 7:00pm.

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