

Minutes & Notes

Name	Benbecula Community Council		
Date	3rd November 2022	Time	17.30
Venue	UCVO		

PRESENT	Gail Robertson (Chair), Dave Adey, Hugh MacCormack, Tracey Walker, Janet Atkin, Ronan MacPhee, Usdain Robertson, Paul Steele
APOLOGIES	Vanessa Langley, Hu MacCormack, Iain Macleod

ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION	WHO	WHEN
Ferries	UR, outlined some of the latest information on ferries. Summer timetable 2023 has not yet been formalised and CALMAC asked for on any thoughts on changes. UR and PS along with GR voiced a dissatisfaction with these surveys as the criteria ie nil cost etc are to restrictive as theyve learnt in the passed. Two new ferrys being allocate to U/L/T routes are apparently going to be built.	If you can get the survey please voice an opinion as discussed, for instance. Increase sailing on the H/B and E/B routes giving increased reilience and more route availability. Mezzanine use added to all sailings with no fine for exceeding loading times.	ALL	
Power	PS was able to briefly mention SSE OFCOM cable issues with what seems to be a way forward for a number of power initiatives.	INFO		
Flights	Logan Air is up for sale which MAY see changes to Services. The main issue in the short term are they PSO flights for medical movements to Stornoway etc.	INFO		
Transport	TW mentioned the availability (or lack of) regarding community transport vehicles being wheelchair accesable.	UR to request further information centrally from Council.	UR	

Christmas	TW discussed a SANTA run or similar on Benbecula. South Uist has a similar event.	TW will look at feasibility and engage with other residents. BCC will help where it can.	TW	
Dinner and Dance	A request has been made for a donation towards the over 60's Dinner and Dance to be held at St Marys.	BCC has agreed to donate £200 to the event.	DA	
Hedges	Hedges around park area opposite Lovatts still need cutting, who is responsible.	UR/PS to ask for clarification.	UR/PS	
Banking	Previous signatorys had not been removed which is slowing over process of handover	DA reports these have now been removed and on line banking should follow shortly.	DA	
Boat Fund	Ongoing issue of moneys still not distributed from the sale of a gifted boat, to other CC's. Its unclear what was agreed.	TW agreed to contact a prvious CC member for clarity. *This has now been received.	TW	