

Minute/Note of Meeting	TITLE	lochdar Community Council Meeting		
	DATE	Monday 3 rd October 2022	TIME	7.00pm
	VENUE	online		

Present:	Peter Bird(Chair), Angela Brass, Ronnie Macphee, Jemma Morrison, Florence Morrison, Anne Bird(mins) Neil Johnstone, Morag Ann MacAulay, Neilly MacPherson, Robert Currie, Ella Wronecka, Cllr Susan Thomson, Cllr Iain Macleod
Apologies:	Donnie Steele, Cllr Paul Steele, Cllr Iain A MacNeil

Agenda Item	Summary	Action	Who?	When?
Previous Minutes	<p>Previous minutes (04/05/2022) were proposed by ABr seconded by RM.</p> <p>It was noted that the meeting scheduled for 1st June was cancelled due to access issues at Talla and the meeting scheduled for 13th Sept was cancelled due to the Queen's passing.</p>	Submit approved mins to CnES.	AB	asap
Matters Arising	<p>Responsibility for playpark at Cuide na Gamha: JM was at a meeting Ian Boyd who is the Council Playpark Officer and has been tasked to come up with a plan. It was confirmed that CnG park is in Council ownership (not HHP) and is in worse condition than any other parks in Eilean Siar.</p> <p>Council funds for play parks is very limited – a few £1k per playpark, and SAIAAC are looking to take on CnG and Creagorry parks in the hope of attracting funds for renovations.</p>	Keep track of developments with CnG park.	ICC	On-going
Treasurer's report	20-21 accounts were approved by the Council at Audit, thanks expressed to RM for completion.			
Pathway Project	<p>Maele from Sustrans and Scott and Ginny from Pel Frischmann came for site visits and to meet with community and other bodies on 17th and 18th May.</p> <p>There has been a further successful funding application leading to £10k from Pebble Trust.</p> <p>Slighe an lochdair pathway project was included in the Level Up Fund (LUF2) bid prepared by Comhairle nan Eilean Siar, a funding decision is expected to be made by the UK Government in October.</p> <p>Out with the Level Up Fund, to date there has been £91,900 secured by ICC from a range of bodies, with an ongoing commitment from active travel charity Sustrans to match the funds with 70% of the project costs.</p>			
Councillor Slot	<p>Council business is picking up, funding is coming on stream from various Covid funds and the Council is looking at the best use to avoid duplication across agencies.</p> <p>Cllrs invited Community Councillors to approach them with any questions to allow them to gather information.</p>			

AoB	<p>Updates from Storas Uibhist: Grogarry Food Hub project and part 1 of Smart Clachan project progressing.</p> <p>Lochboisdale Regeneration, funding secured from CnES and HIE to explore and prepare a long-term regeneration masterplan to encompass housing, jobs, development, transport etc.</p> <p>Loch Carnan shed...through to second round funding process for £150k refurbishment with plans to then make available for local business to use the building.</p> <p>Windturbines...currently researching options for 4th turbine plus lobbying for new / better / bigger interconnector.</p> <p>Ferries... Storas have set up and are heading new business-focused Ferry Users Group.</p> <p>Estate Management...more spent on goose control by Stòras than any other estate in Western Isles plus. Also funds being spent on ditching.</p> <p>Community Fund...£50k will be made available for 2023</p> <p>Storas are looking for views on deer, residents are encouraged to approach Storas with their views.</p> <p>Meeting heard that West Gerinish residents are having deer problems and a petition is circulating to relay their concerns to Storas.</p>			
	Ebikes: there has been a steady uptake from people in the ICC area. Councillors were also invited to borrow an ebike to try out.			
	Teams link: due to changes in MS Teams, the current free package is prone to being cut off after one hour.	Explore if ICC can have a permanent Teams link	Cllr Iain Macleod	For next meeting
	Jemma Morrison: Jemma is standing down from ICC due to a move out of the area with her family. Everyone thanked her for her hard work and happy disposition as a Community Councillor and wished Jemma and her family all the best with their move.			
	Calendars: discussion re calendars	Explore if a calendar will be possible this year	RM, ABr	For next meeting
	Fundraiser in the Co-op: ICC thanked NJ and JM for setting up this fundraiser for the pathway.	Uplift equipment from the co-op	AB, PB	asap
DoNM	Monday 28 th November at 7pm, in Talla if available.			