

Benbecula Community Council (BCC)

Minutes – UCVO and on MS Teams, 18th March 2024 5.30pm

Present:

Dave Adey (Vice Chair)
Rona MacKay (Chair)
Vanessa Langley
Tracy Walker
David Bagley
Helen Bagley (Secretary)
Ronan MacPhee
Gail Robertson

Attending:

Cllr Iain Macleod
Sheena Stewart (UCVO)
Cllr Uisdean Robertson

1. Apologies
 - a. Hugh MacCormick, Cllr Paul Steele and Cllr Susan Thompson
2. Approval of minutes of last meeting
 - a. Minutes approved by David and seconded by Dave.
3. Conflicts of Interest for the agenda
 - a. Nothing to report.
4. Planning applications & licensing issues for Benbecula
 - a. Nothing to report.
5. Treasurer's Report.
 - a. At the moment we have £3583.04 in bank.
 - b. We received a receipt from Playpark and are waiting for one from St Mary's
6. Applications to BCC for funding.
 - a. No applications received.
7. Community Engagement.
 - a. No update.
8. West camp update
 - a. Joanna Peteranna to come back to us after her meeting with MOD in April.
 - b. Joanna Peteranna found out the land is owned by the MOD.
 - c. Airport is interested in the land for a car park.
9. The Screen Machine update
 - a. Screen machine has been saved for the next to years.
 - b. Keep the pressure on them, Vanessa still to write a letter which she has 2years to do.
10. Balivanich regeneration money update

- a. David & Helen spoke to Donyards he was all for it but is waiting for a reply from the rest of the members of the hall.
- b. Sheena had meeting with CNES, dropped kerbs to be done on pavements.
- c. There was talk of putting a bus shelter at the end of Tuzo.
- d. Lights from MacGilvrays to DMD, there is an issue with land.

11. Councillor's updates

- a. Change of flights – there was two tenders submitted, 1 Hebridean Air Services & 2 Loganair which was non-compliant.
- b. Hebridean Air Services to do a three-day week, early morning & late afternoon, they will be stationed in Stornoway, they have a four-year contract.
- c. Health board did not supply any money.
- d. Isle of Lewis ferry – query about dangerous goods.
- e. Gail asked about the gas issue and space capacity & asked for a breakdown of what could be carried.
- f. Island connectivity plan – response by end of May.

12. AOB

- a. The Kings Portrait – Dave to apply for it.
- b. Put meetings on Facebook to try and get more people interested.

13. Date of next meeting

- a. Thursday April 25th, UCVO Building 5.30pm.
- b. Thursday May 25th, UCVO Building 5.30pm.