COLL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Minutes of meeting held on Wednesday 9th April 2014 at An Cridhe

1. Apologies: Rob Wainwright (RW)... may attend later if lambing allows.

Present: Alex Maclean-Bristol (AMB), Pat Graham (PG), Peter Ings (PI), Julian Senior (JS), Doug Young (DY), Dougie Brown (DB), Kenny MacIntyre (KM).

2 members of the public.

2. Declarations of Interest.

JS declared an interest in all items! AMB read out Charles Repke's response to question of declarations of interest from CC members. It was decided to treat each occasion separately and make decisions as they arise.

- 3. Minutes of previous meeting agreed. Proposed by DB, seconded by KM.
- 5. Matters arising:

a) CCC Notice Board

AMB apologised on behalf of himself and RW for lack of progress. Will be completed before next CC meeting

b) Nurse

JS reported that he had heard that Tiree were no longer providing cover for Coll nursing and cover was now provided by Easdale. DY suggested we get the information directly from the GP and not from other sources to confirm validity.

c) Roads

Nothing to report.

d) <u>Planning</u>

PG reported that there were three planning notices in the pipeline. Two had been forwarded to CC members, the third she had been unable to get full details on. One was the relocation of access at the property next to the Water Board. Second was the demolition and rebuilding of Monadh Ban and the third was connected with development at the crossroads.

AMB commented that he didn't believe the CC should be involved in planning decisions until they had received training on how and what their involvement should be. *Action: PG to follow up with Mary-Jean Devon and the planning department contact*

e) <u>Scallop Dredgers</u>

RW not present to report any developments. AMB was waiting for contact details from Marine Scotland to log reports of electrofishing around Coll. JS read statement from David Kinniburgh re: razor clam fishing.

f) <u>Calmac Ferries</u>

RW waiting to hear about proposed meeting with Finlay McRae. AMB suggested calling a special meeting to discuss transport issues with ferry and plane. The air service will not change timetable, so there is likely to be a clash. PG produced log of missed boats over winter (see Appendix A). Discussions over co-ordinating with Tiree. PG commented that Tiree Community Council were having elections in May to reform. **Special Meeting date set as Wednesday 23rd April**

g) <u>Middle Pier toilets</u>

No developments. *AMB to chase up for latest*

h) <u>Community Housing</u>

AMB read out update from Development Coll about the project. See Appendix B

i) <u>Community Resilience</u>

No further forward- PG to carry forward.

j) Refuse Collection

AMB to e-mail council to check when weekly collections start. KM pointed out that the recycling containers were overflowing. JS reported that the special lorry that collected them had broken down. AMB offered to mention the problem in the same e-mail to Derek Crooks.

6. <u>Treasurer's Report:</u>

JS reported: Put cheque for £1500 from Village Hall Commitee into a Restricted fund. Not to be used for everyday expenses. CC to decide on use in future. RecyColl rent of £500 has been paid. £24 out since last meeting for hall hire. PI questioned wisdom of paying for hall with only few attendees, but it was impossible to guess how many people would be there.

7. Village Hall/RecyColl:

AMB to e-mail George Seaton requesting copy of lease for the hall. JS- Randy has done some work behind the hall. The telephone had been reinstated and broadband ordered. Other repairs were being made to the drainpipes and roof. Potential to have it fenced, which might affect the CC land. Juliet would like to put a notice on the composter fence to stop unauthorised people going in. Agreed this was sensible.

8. Scottish Islands Federation:

Notice of a pledge to be signed by any visiting candidates for parliament had been received.

9. <u>Correspondence:</u>

- 1. A concept study for Hebridean Islands National Park had been received. To be put on notice board and on agenda for next meeting.
 - 2. Letter from Police Scotland about community policing had been e-mailed round to CC members.
 - 3. An update from Oban airport.
 - 4. A community survey for A&B District council, which had been sent round.

10. Questions from the Floor:

Alison Fraser had asked about the update on Roads as she had missed that part of the meeting: advised that Randy had said at the last meeting that the road would be resurfaced in the Spring up the East end.

11. Any Other Business:

KM commented on the telephone box at the pier- if it is not going to be used, why not just remove it. **AMB to check with Karen who she had contacted about it.** PG reported that had received Fred Hall's resignation letter. AMB requested that any CCC e-mails be sent with every recipient in the To box or the CC box and not to have any other names in the BCC box.

Next meeting June 11th is the AGM

COLL WINTER SAILINGS 2013/2014

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OCT 26<sup>TH</sup>
               2<sup>ND</sup> BOAT CANX
OCT 27<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
OCT 31<sup>ST</sup>
              2<sup>ND</sup> BOAT CANX
NOV 7<sup>TH</sup>
               2<sup>ND</sup> BOAT CANX
                                             NO BOAT TO TIREE
NOV 8<sup>TH</sup>
               EX-SCHEDULE BOAT
NOV 14<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
NOV 15<sup>TH</sup>
              EX-SCHEDULE BOAT
DEC 5<sup>TH</sup>
              FERRY DELAYED
DEC 14<sup>TH</sup>
               RESCHEDULED THEN ALL BOATS CANX
DEC 15<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
DEC 19<sup>TH</sup>
              FIRST BOAT CANX
DEC 21<sup>ST</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
DEC 23<sup>RD</sup>
               ONE CALL ONLY
DEC 24<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
DEC 28<sup>TH</sup>
              ONE CALL ONLY
DEC 30<sup>TH</sup>
               BOAT CHANGED
JAN 5<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
JAN 6<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
JAN 7<sup>TH</sup>
               ONE BOAT ONLY
JAN 12<sup>TH</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
JAN 18<sup>TH</sup>
              HEB ISLES BROKEN DOWN ALL BOATS CANX
JAN 21<sup>ST</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
JAN 22<sup>ND</sup>
              EX-SCHEDULED BOAT
JAN 25<sup>TH</sup>
              ONE BOAT ONLY
JAN 26<sup>TH</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
FEB 1<sup>ST</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
FEB 2<sup>ND</sup>
               DELAYED SAILING
FEB 8<sup>TH</sup>
               FERRY COULD NOT GET NTO TIREE
FEB 15<sup>TH</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
FEB 22<sup>ND</sup>
              ONE BOAT ONLY
FEB 23<sup>RD</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
FEB 24<sup>TH</sup>
              ALL BOATS CANX
FEB 25<sup>TH</sup>
              EX-SCHEDULED BOAT
MAR 2<sup>ND</sup>
               BOAT CAME OUT EARLY AND CALLED INTO COLL COULD
                NOT GET INTO TIREE
MAR 6<sup>TH</sup>
               DELAY AT TIREE FOR COMMERCIAL TRAFFIC
MAR 8<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
MAR 9<sup>TH</sup>
               BOATS DELAYED BY 1 HOUR
MAR 20<sup>TH</sup>
               ONE BOAT ONLY AND LATE
MAR 24<sup>TH</sup>
               ALL BOATS CANX
MAR 29<sup>TH</sup>
               ONE BOAT ONLY
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Information compiled by Pat Graham

Brief update on Community Housing Project for Coll Community Council 09-04-2014

DC would like to continue to provide updates on this project to the CCC, if the Community Council is in agreement.

Information will also be made available to the community via posters in the village and on the DC website. The project is generally discussed at monthly DC directors' meetings, and members of the public are welcome to attend.

There has been some gentle progress with this project since the last CCC meeting.

- 7 local land-owners have expressed an interest in selling land for a community housing project. The hope is that the Scottish Land Fund would fund the land purchase.
- Development Coll sent representatives to 2 recent events:
 - 1) the Rural Housing Scotland Annual Conference at the end of February and
 - 2) a local housing event also organised by RHS in Oban last Friday, 4th April.

Both were useful opportunities to learn how other communities have progressed with similar projects: Dervaig, Ulva Ferry, Colonsay and North West Mull Community Woodlands all being neighbours at the early stages of similar projects.

- Development Coll has had very early conversations with Argyll and Bute Planning Dept and with HIE and continues to work closely with Rural Housing Scotland.
- A&B Planning is very supportive of a community housing project
- A&B Planning is more enthusiastic about community housing being located in or close to Arinagour than further afield.
- A&B Planning hopes to visit Coll to discuss the possible sites within the next few months
- Scottish Water has informally indicated that mains water could be made available but they have yet to respond formally
- No decisions about location, number of houses or final design have yet been made.
 However, we hope to make these decisions in the coming few months.
- Formal community consultation will take place in the near future, but comments and questions are welcome at any time.
- RHS aim to visit Coll on 12th May to discuss the way forwards. Members of the community will be welcome to attend this meeting.
- The housing group will meet before then for a quick update. Please join the housing group if you're interested.
- Posters will be put up in the village advertising meeting dates nearer the time.
- If anybody would like to get involved in this project or needs affordable rented housing, please contact Seonaid Maclean-Bristol or George McConnachie or Anna Robertson or Laura Jamieson or Nic Smith.