

MULL COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held in An Roth

Wednesday 6th June 2018 at 7pm

Present: Billy McClymont, Jim Corbett, Ben Reade, Andrena Duffin, Iain Campbell, Susan Campbell, Josh Liddle, Lindsay Macdonald, Nancy Sommerville, Adrian Stephens, Alexander Anderson, Fiona Brown.

Apologies: Pam MacColl, Sarah Padley, Moira Westland, John Maughan.

In Attendance: Councillor Devon, Moray Finch.

Minutes of the AGM held on 9th May 2017.

These were proposed by Fiona Brown and seconded by Jim Corbett

Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising.

Chairman's Report

B.M. said that there was no particular item to report but the Community Council had worked hard over the year bringing Island problems to the various authorities. He thought it would be a good idea for the next year to have some particular goals that could be achieved. However progress has been made in regards to the setting up of a sustainable medical practice for the whole Island.

No Secretary's report was received.

Treasurers report.

The accounts were presented and have been checked. It was noted that the finances are still being slowly depleted however the situation is not serious.

Election of Officials.

This was done at the Inaugural Meeting last month and was confirmed by B.M.

It was also agreed that as the email addresses of all members were given out in Round and About members were happy to receive emails displaying all addresses.

B.M. thanked David Pollard, Jane Stevens and Jenny Reddaway for their work and dedication to the Community Council.

As there was no more business B.M. brought the meeting to a close.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

Present: as above

Minutes of the Meeting held on the 13th March were proposed by S.C., seconded by J.C.

Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting held on the 17th May were proposed by B.M., seconded by I.C.

Councillors report.

M.J.D. commented on the fiasco with the ferries on Saturday 2nd June, owing to the breakdown of the radar system on the MV Isle of Mull. It had been a major incident with 300 cars parked around

Craignure, the queue for the Loch Aline ferry stretching on to the main road and foot passengers left stranded. Calmac staff suffered serious abuse with no help from senior managers and no police in evidence. The MV Coruisk was only able to give limited help and the Loch Aline ferry did stalwart duty, sailing all through the night. West Coast Motors were able to help but as the Corran Ferry could not run after hours some buses had to go by Loch Eil resulting in passengers arriving in Oban at 3am. Mr Neil Goldsmith is the Mull representative on the Argyll Ferry Users Group, it was agreed to ask him to attend the next Com. council meeting to advise on the future plans. As the Calmac fleet are becoming more unreliable there must be contingency plans for these sort of incidents

M.J.D. had received a letter from the Minister of Transport who remains to be convinced about rebates for transport vans on the ferries.

M.J.D. reported that there was to be a meeting on the following day with the Health Board to set up an advertisement for 5 Doctors for the Island. The general consensus was that it should be a partnership with a permanent doctor for Tobermory, Bunessan and Salen/Craignure. It was agreed to look into the work of the group Remote and Rural Doctors to gather advice from them.

I.C. said there was a need for the community to unite to prevent any cuts to the health budget.

Ben Reade gave a short presentation on his ideas for the Tobermory Fountain. He has done good work in restoring it, however he now has plans to add a drinking water fountain nearby. This would have a charity box beside it, card operated, local charities could take turns in benefiting from it. He had been in touch with the Council about Health and Safety issues. It was suggested that the actual fountain could be refitted with new pipes to make it fit for use instead of an additional fountain.

B.M. Congratulated B.R. on his hard work and gave him the Com. council's support.

A.D. advised a letter had been received from A.& B. Council proposing to create a Simplified Planning Zone (SPZ) opposite Woodside Cottage in Salen. Concern was expressed that this was on private land and would not be workable. Two pilot schemes have been successful with in other areas.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Josh Liddle was appointed to be the representative on the M.I.C.T. Board.
Susan Campbell and Andrena Duffin would attend the Ferry Committee Meetings.

M.J.D. reported that there was to be a meeting of STAG, the Scottish Transport Group about traffic management and the redevelopment of the ferry terminal area at Craignure and Fionnphort. Representatives from the Com. council were invited to attend.

Moray Finch reported on the Ardura Forest Project. A sub-committee has been set up to liaise with Forest Enterprise Scotland and there will be an Island wide ballot in July to support the project.

South West Mull & Iona Development are consulting at the moment for woodland crofts at Tioran Community Forest.

J.C. reported that the Macphail's Monument had been restored with funds from Mess and the Waterfall fund. A gravel path up to it was still to be completed.

F.B. suggested that the site around the Beaton Memorial should be cleared to make it visible from the road.

J.C. advised that the Lochbuie road had been patched, there was still one bad bit, however that was being attended to.

A.D. had received a letter from Fr. Seraphim about Kilninian Church. Part of the wall is collapsing because of tree root damage, he was not sure if it was the responsibility of A.&B. Council. It was

thought it could be an insurance claim. Also he is hoping to be able to allow access to the carved stones at the back of the Church in the near future.

The meeting closed at 9.25 pm

Date of next meeting - Wednesday 4th July