


BENBECULA COMMUNITY COUNCIL  Comhairle Coimhearsnachd Beinn na Faoghla Minute/ Note of Meeting	TITLE	Benbecula Community Council		
	DATE	21 ST November 2024	TIME	6.00 pm
	VENUE	UCVO & MS Teams		
	DISTRIBUTION			
Present:	Dave Adey (Chair/Treasurer), Helen Bagley (Vice Chair/Secretary), David Bagley, Bryan MacPherson, Willie MacDonald, Vanessa Langley, Cllr Uisdean Robertson, Cllr Iain MacLeod, Sheena Stewart, PC John Maxwell			
Apologies:	Cllr Susan Thompson, Hugh MacCormick,			
Absent:				

Agenda Item		Summary	Action	Who?	When?
1	Welcome & Minutes -	Minutes approved by		Dave / David	
2	Matters arising - Resignation - Conflicts of Interest for the agenda –	Gail has resigned from BCC Nothing to report -	Inform Shona	Helen	
4	Planning applications & licensing issues for Benbecula -	Placing of pods for camp – Military exercise			
5	Treasure’s report and BCC funds -	We have £4933.04 in account.			

	<p>Application form -</p>	<p>Application forms for</p> <p>D N H Communal Garden asked about a Christmas tree/lights</p> <p>Sgoil Lionacleit asked for funding for the S2 trip to London</p> <p>St Marys - Senior citizen dinner</p> <p>Balivanich Play Park has asked for £183.</p> <p>Picnic Bench – update</p> <p>War Memorial Bench area – Update</p>	<p>Talk to Sheena</p> <p>Agreed to give them £100, get details and give money.</p> <p>No reply</p> <p>We agreed on £100, get details and give money.</p> <p>Ask councillors for the funding for the bench & it should be ready next week starting 28th November.</p> <p>Waiting for the contractor to do the shuttering. Still waiting.</p>	<p>Sheena</p> <p>Dave</p> <p>Dave</p>	
6	<p>Community Engagement -</p>	<p>Santa run –</p> <p>Tractor to pull the Sleigh -</p> <p>Find a Santa -</p>	<p>Look into route for the trees.</p> <p>Ask Hugh MacCormick nicely.</p> <p>Any ideas welcome.</p>	<p>Dave, David & Helen</p>	

7	Councillors Update -	Cllr Uisdean Robertson update – Budget strategy was disappointing, Usual problems with the ferry's, talks of a helicopter for patient travel wont work costs too much.	Cllr Uisdean Robertson to send report.		
8	NHS update -	If you have an appointment in Stornoway hospital with less than 3 weeks' notice, you can travel as a foot passenger & Cal mac will arrange a taxi for customers in the relevant area and have an account with calmac,	Put on Facebook to highlight it.	Dave	
9	Balivanich Regeneration Project -	Money has been spent – Mirrors ordered, Bus Shelter for Tuzo as there is 14/15 kids there, zebra crossing £6000 & Active Travel £2300.	Sheena to contact Kareen about the Active travel and see what is involved in it, and when.	Sheena	
10	West Camp Update -	No update.	Cllr Iain MacLeod to pass Alan's details to Dave, Cllr Iain MacLeod will try & find out about the disposal of assets.	Cllr Ian MacLeod	
11	Screen Machine update –	Drew emailed asking how much we could spare. Vanessa highlighted that the library is closed for films as they can't afford the licence.	We could give them £100 pledge		
12	UABCC -	Derek & Shona to look at the agreement & make some adjustments.			

13	Swimming Pool closure -	Swimming pool is closed on Sundays. Do not have enough duty officers to keep the pool open full time, a job is to be readvertised.			
14	PC John Maxwell - update	Focus on a winter campaign – tyre checks, etc. 20 campaign – speeding past schools, Was asked if he could attend the Youth Café to highlight road safety & the importance of wearing Hi-Vis & not to wear black as it could cause an accident if they aren't seen till the last moment.			
15	AOB	Balivanich Hall support for funding –	Sheena to talk to Marge about Balivanich hall & see if there is any funding out there that they could apply for, also see if there is any word of a meeting to get a new committee for the Hall.	Sheena	
	Date of next meeting	Thursday 16 th January at UCVO Building 6.00 pm			