

SANDWICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD AT 7.30PM ON TUESDAY 19th NOVEMBER 2024

**WITHIN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM, SANDWICK
HALL**

Sederunt: - Bob Walker, Chairperson, Anna MacFarlane, Treasurer, Rosemary MacRitchie, Micheal Smith, Joanne O'Donnell, Chairperson Parkend Residents Association.

Councillors: - George Murray,

Apologies: - Nicola MacSween, Rhoda MacKenzie, Donald MacDonald, Cllr. Rae MacKenzie, Cllr Angus McCormack, Frances Murray

Minutes of the Previous Meeting: - The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 1st October 2024 which had been circulated prior to the meeting, were adopted as a true record. Proposed by Rosemary MacRitchie seconded Anna MacFarlane.

MATTERS ARISING: -

Ferry Services: - Once again concerns were raised regarding the access ramp at Stornoway Ferry terminal. It was now 11 months since this ramp became inoperative. It was concerning that so far this issue has not been resolved by Stornoway Port Authority. It was requested that the CEO, Stornoway Port Authority, be written to in the strongest possible terms regarding this issue and to ask for an update when this issue will be resolved for the benefits of foot passengers using the ferry.

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Point & Sandwick Trail: - Nicola could not make this meeting and there was no further update since last meeting.

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Sandwick Hub: No further update at present on this.

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Community Council Finance: - Anna reported that the account still stood at £8346.40p.

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Local Place Plan: - This is to be progressed in 2025. Mike has agreed to lead on this, and it is hoped that a small sub-committee will be formed to assist Mike.

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Spiorad na Mara: - Awaiting the planning application to be submitted for Sandwick Community Council can respond to the application.

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Lewis Hub 400Kv Substation: - A full discussion took place regarding this proposal put forward by SEN. It was decided that if individual(s) wish to make a response prior to the planning application being submitted. Sandwick Community Council on being notified that the planning application has been submitted they would call a public meeting and get the views of the residents. Once this has been carried out Sandwick Community Council would submit their response to the Planning Dept. Western Isles Council.

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AOCB: -

Melbost West – Housing Development: - This is due to be put out to consultation shortly. Once dates are known this will be forwarded to all.

Date of Next Meeting – 7.30pm Tuesday, 14th January 2025