

**MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held in the MUNICIPAL
BUILDINGS, OBAN
on FRIDAY, 10 FEBRUARY 2017**

Present: Councillor Elaine Robertson (Chair)

Councillor Alistair MacDougall Councillor Neil MacIntyre
Councillor Kieron Green

Attending: Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager
David McGregor, Simmers & Co
Marri Malloy, Chair of Oban Community Council
Dugald Cameron, Church of Scotland
Nichola MacGillivray, OASIS (item 10a only)

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies intimated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Dugald Cameron declared a non-financial interest in relation to the application from the Mod Academy which was dealt with at item 11(c) of this Minute as he is a member of the Committee but as he is just an observer of the Oban Common Good Fund he remained in the meeting for discussion of this item.

David McGregor declared a non-financial interest in relation to the application from the Multiple Sclerosis Centre which was dealt with at item 11(d) of this Minute as Simmers and Co are named on their accounts but confirmed this is not his client and therefore remained in the meeting for discussion of this item.

Councillor Robertson declared a non-financial interest in relation to the application from University of Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club which was dealt with at item 11(f) of this Minute, due to a family member being involved in a partner organisation on the application. She intimated her intention to leave the room and have no part in the discussion of this item.

3. MINUTES

(a) Oban Common Good Fund - 17th November 2016

The minutes of the Oban Common Good Fund meeting held on 17th November 2016 were approved as a correct record.

(b) Special Oban Common Good Fund - 20th January 2017

The minutes of the Special Oban Common Good Fund meeting held on 20th January 2017 were approved as a correct record.

4. LOGO AND BANNERS

The Trustees considered a banner template from Digital Kangaroo for 2 pop up banners to be used by successful applicants to advertise the Fund.

Decision

The Trustees:-

1. Agreed the banner template subject to a couple of adjustments being made to the banner before printing;
2. Agreed to meet on Friday 17th February at 3pm in Municipal Buildings for a photo opportunity with the pop up banner and have it sent to the Oban Times with information on what the Trustees of the fund have achieved in their Trusteeship of the Fund 2012-2017; and
3. Agreed to write to the Music Society expressing their disappointment on the Oban Common Good Fund not being mentioned as being a funder in the recent article in the Oban Times.

5. OVERVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS MADE BY OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND

A report providing the Trustees of the Oban Common Good Fund with a short update on the development work undertaken by the fund during the term of their Trusteeship of the Fund, was considered.

Decision

The Trustees noted the development work which has been undertaken by the current Trustees of the Common Good Fund.

(Ref: Report by Area Governance Manager dated 10th February 2017, submitted).

6. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) Glencruitten Cathedral of Trees

The Trustees considered a thank you letter from Glencruitten Cathedral of Trees.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information provided.

The Council resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the press and public for the following items of business on the grounds that it was likely to involve the disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 respectively of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

E1 7. END OF PROJECT MONITORING FORMS

(a) **Dunollie Projects Ltd**

The Trustees considered an end of project monitoring form from Dunollie Project Ltd.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information provided.

E1 **8. ACTUAL INCOME EXPENDITURE REPORT**

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period 1st April 2016 – 31st December 2016 was considered.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information provided.

(Ref: Financial Statement by David McGregor, Simmers & Co dated 10th February 2017, submitted).

E1 **9. APPLICATION SUMMARY**

The Trustees noted the application summary for the continued and new applications.

E1 **10. CONTINUED APPLICATIONS**

(a) **OASIS**

The Chair welcomed Nichola MacGillivray of OASIS to the meeting and thanked her for coming along to answer questions the Trustees had in regard to her application.

Nichola gave a brief update to the Trustees on the background of OASIS and what services they provide in the area for children with substance misuse and family parental misuse problems. She confirmed the most up to date funding packages they have received to date and OASIS' current financial position.

The Trustees asked a number of questions which Nichola gave detailed answers to.

Nichola left the meeting prior to a decision on the OASIS application being made by Trustees.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2,600.

E1 **11. NEW APPLICATIONS**

(a) **Highlands and Islands Music and Dance Festival**

The Trustees considered an application from the Highlands and Islands Music and Dance Festival.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £620.

(b) **Hope 2 Oban**

The Trustees considered an application from Hope 2 Oban.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2,200.

(c) **MOD Academy**

The Trustees considered an application from the Mod Academy.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £1,500 on the basis that this is part of an ongoing development plan for a growing project.

(d) **Multiple Sclerosis**

The Trustees considered an application from the Multiple Sclerosis Centre.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2,227.50.

(e) **Oban High School Pipe Band**

The Trustees considered an application from Oban High School Pipe Band.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to write to Oban High School Pipe Band, requesting more information in support of their application and to reconsider this application at a Special Meeting on Friday 10th March.

Councillor Robertson, having declared a non-financial interest in the application from Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club left the room and took no part in the discussion of this item. Councillor MacDougall took the Chair.

(f) **University of Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club**

The Trustees considered an application from the University of Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to write to the University of Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club, requesting more information in support of their application and to reconsider this application at a Special Meeting on Friday 10th March.

Councillor Robertson returned to the meeting and took the Chair.

12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Should the Trustees receive more information from Oban High School Pipe Band and the Highlands and Islands Wind and Wave Club, a Special meeting of the Oban Common Good Fund is scheduled for Friday 10th March at 10:30am in Municipal Buildings, Oban.

The Chair thanked everyone for all their support over the last 5 years, she thanked David McGregor for his financial expertise, both past and present Councillors and thanked Marri Malloy and Dugald Cameron for being observers on the fund which she has found very useful and supportive.