MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held in the CORRAN HALLS, OBAN on THURSDAY, 21 MAY 2015

Present: Councillor Elaine Robertson (Chair)

Councillor Neil MacIntyre Councillor Iain A MacDonald

Attending: Charles Reppke, Head of Governance and Law

Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager

Andy Newiss, R A Clement Associates

Marri Malloy, Chair of Oban Community Council

Dugald Cameron, Church of Scotland

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Alistair MacDougall.

The Chair ruled and the Trustees agreed to adjourn the meeting at 3pm and reconvene at 3:15pm to allow the Oban Common Good Fund Workshop to be completed. The meeting reconvened at 3:15pm.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Marri Malloy confirmed that in relation to item 8(b) of this Minute, she was involved in writing the constitution for the Soroba Young Families Group in 2005 where her name is printed, but since then has had no involvement with the Group. She left the room and took no part in the discussion of this item

Andy Newiss declared a non financial interest in item 8(b) Soroba Young Family Group as he is a Director on the Board of Atlantis.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous Oban Common Good Fund held on 20th March 2015 were approved as a correct record.

In relation to item 3(a) of the previous Minute, the Area Governance Manager confirmed that Soroba Young Family Group had sent their amended application to her in December but unfortunately the Council's firewall blocked the email so the application was never received. Since then the Senior Area Committee Assistant contacted Soroba Young Family Group and a further application has been submitted.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) **OBAN GAELIC CHOIR**

The Trustees received a thank you letter from Oban Gaelic Choir for

the award that the Oban Common Good Fund gave them for their trip to Ireland this month.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information contained in the letter.

(b) **OBAN FENCING CLUB**

The Trustees received a thank you letter from Oban Fencing Club for the award that the Oban Common Good Fund gave them for new electrical equipment to allow them to compete in competitions.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information contained in the letter.

(c) OBAN HIGH SCHOOL - LAURINBURG EXCHANGE 2015

The Trustees received a letter from Oban High School, inviting them to a race night to raise money for the Laurinburg Exchange trip. Unfortunately this invitation was received after the race night. The exchange trip is scheduled for 11th June.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information contained in the letter.

5. END OF PROJECT MONITORING FORMS

(a) HOPE 2 OBAN

The Trustees received an End of Project Monitoring report from Hope 2 Oban.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information contained in the report.

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

6. ACTUAL INCOME EXPENDITURE REPORT

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period 1st April 2015 to 21st May 2015 was considered.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information provided.

(Ref: Financial Statement by Andy Newiss, R A Clement Associates dated 21st May 2015, submitted).

7. OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS

The Trustees noted the outstanding commitments to date and noted that there are no outstanding commitments to the Oban Common Good Fund.

8. CONTINUED APPLICATIONS

(a) APPLICATION SUMMARY

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

Marri Malloy, having declared a non financial interest in item 8(b), left the room and took no part in the discussion on this item.

Andy Newiss, having declared a non financial interest in item 8(b), stayed in the room and took no part in the discussion of this item.

(b) SOROBA YOUNG FAMILY GROUP

The Trustees considered an amended application from Soroba Young Family Group.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to write to Soroba Young Family Group requesting more information about the project.

Marri Malloy returned to the meeting.

9. **NEW APPLICATIONS**

(a) THE GRAB TRUST LTD

The Trustees considered an application from the Grab Trust Ltd.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to disperse £3,000.

(b) SKERRYVORE (DECADE EVENTS LLP)

The Trustees considered an application from Skerryvore (Decade Events LLP).

Decision

The Trustees agreed to disperse £3,000 to support young people in the town and to assist the event in its first year in the hope that it will be repeated in future years as a purely commercial enterprise.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next Oban Common Good Fund meeting is scheduled for Friday 21st August 2015 at 10:30am in the Corran Halls, Oban.