

**MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held in the CORRAN HALLS, OBAN  
on TUESDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2014**

**Present:** Councillor Elaine Robertson (Chair)

Councillor Alistair MacDougall      Councillor Fred Hall  
Councillor Iain A MacDonald

**Attending:** Iain Jackson, Governance and Risk Manager  
Andy Newiss, R A Clement Associates  
Marri Malloy, Oban Community Council  
Dugald Cameron, Church of Scotland

**1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies intimated.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Elaine Robertson declared a non financial interest in relation to the Oban Shopmobility item which was dealt with at item 8(d) of this Minute, because her she is a member of the Oban Disability Management Forum. She left the room and took no part in the discussion of this item.

**3. MINUTES**

**(a) OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND - 8 NOVEMBER 2013**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2013 were approved as a correct record.

**(b) SPECIAL OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND - 6 DECEMBER 2013**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2013 were approved as a correct record.

The Trustees received confirmation from Oban FM that following consideration of their application to McQueen's Charitable Trust they still required monies from the Oban Common Good Fund.

**Decision**

The Trustees agreed to disperse the £1,000 to Oban FM as agreed in principle at the meeting on 6 December.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(a) HOME START LORN**

A letter was received from Home Start Lorn, thanking the Oban Common Good Fund for their generous support and donation they received towards their 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations, and they also sent in a cheque returning the sum of £94.45 back to the Oban Common Good Fund.

## **Decision**

Noted.

### **(b) OBAN WINTER FESTIVAL**

A report was received from Oban Winter Festival detailing their event for 2013 and how successful they were.

The Chair congratulated Oban Winter Festival for their superb event and for the economic value they bring to the town.

## **Decision**

Noted.

The Committee resolved in terms of Section 50(A)(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 to exclude the public for the following 4 items 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.

## **5. ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013 to 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014 was considered.

## **Decision**

The Trustees noted the information provided.

(Ref: Financial Statement by Andy Newiss, R A Clement Associates dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014, submitted).

## **6. END OF PROJECT MONITORING REPORT**

### **(a) OBAN FIREWORKS GROUP**

The Trustees received an End of Project Monitoring Report from Oban Fireworks Group.

## **Decision**

Noted.

## **7. OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS**

The Trustees noted that Argyllshire Gathering still have an underwrite of £5,000 and it was agreed that the Area Governance Assistant would write to them one last time and ask them for a copy of their accounts and to see if they still require the underwrite.

## **8. NEW APPLICATIONS**

The Trustees had a discussion on the Fund Distribution Policy and agreed to include the Distribution Policy on the Oban Common Good Form application.

The Trustees agreed to hold a workshop in May, on the day of the next meeting, to go through the distribution policy and criteria.

(a) **HOPE 2 OBAN**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Hope 2 Oban.

**Decision**

The Trustees agreed to award the sum of £4,000.

(b) **LORN GROUP SCOTTISH WOMEN'S RURAL INSTITUTES**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Lorn Group Scottish Women's Rural Institutes.

**Decision**

The Trustees agreed to award the sum of £500.

(c) **OBAN PHOENIX CINEMA**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Oban Phoenix Cinema.

**Decision**

Unfortunately, the funds Distribution Policy allows for only one application from any single body to be considered in each financial year and as Oban Phoenix Cinema were awarded a grant in May 2013, the Trustees were unable to make an award in respect of their application.

Councillor Elaine Robertson, having declared a non financial interest in Oban Shopmobility, left the room and took no part in the discussion.

Councillor Fred Hall took the Chair.

(d) **OBAN SHOPMOBILITY**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Oban Shopmobility.

**Decision**

The Trustees agreed to award the sum of up to £1,500, which is dependent on whether any monies are still required after their application for the Third Sector Grant has been decided.

The Trustees asked that Oban Shopmobility confirm the outcome of their application for the Third Sector Grant, in order that arrangements can be made for the release of any monies.

