

**MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held by MS TEAMS
on MONDAY, 12 AUGUST 2024**

Present: Councillor Julie McKenzie (Chair)

Councillor Kieron Green Councillor Jim Lynch
Councillor Amanda Hampsey

Attending: Stuart McLean, Committee Manager
Rev Margi Campbell, Observer
Fr James MacNeil, Observer

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

There were no apologies intimated.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Jim Lynch declared a non-financial interest in Item 6(c) of the agenda as he was a member of The Grab Trust. He advised that he would leave the room during the consideration of this item of business.

3. MINUTES

(a) Minutes of Oban Common Good Fund Meeting held on 20 May 2024

The minutes of the Oban Common Good Fund held on 20 May 2024 were approved as a correct record.

The Trustees 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 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973.

4. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period up to 31 July 2024 was considered.

Decision

The Trustees noted the income and expenditure report.

(Reference: Report by Simmers & Co for period ending 31 July 2024, submitted)

5. END OF PROJECT MONITORING

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

The Trustees were invited to consider the End of Project Monitoring Form from the Highland and Islands Music and Dance Festival.

Decision

The Trustees noted the end of project report.

(Reference: End of Project Monitoring Form, submitted)

(b) **Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd**

The Trustees were invited to consider the End of Project Monitoring Form from the Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd.

Decision

The Trustees noted the end of project report.

(Reference: End of Project Monitoring Form, submitted)

6. NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) **Home Start Lorn**

The Trustees considered the application submitted by Home Start Lorn.

Decision:

It was unanimously agreed to award the full amount of £5,000.

(Reference: application submitted by Home Start Lorn)

(b) **Lorn Toy Library**

The Trustees considered the application submitted by Lorn Toy Library.

Decision:

The Trustees agreed to continue the application to allow the applicant to provide clarification and further information in support of the application.

(Reference: application submitted by Lorn Toy Library)

Having declared an interest in the following item of Business, Councillor Jim Lynch left the meeting at this point.

(c) **The Grab Trust**

The Trustees considered the application submitted by The Grab Trust.

Decision:

It was unanimously agreed to award the sum of £3,000.

(Reference: application submitted by The Grab Trust)

Councillor Lynch re-joined to the meeting at this point.

7. DISCUSSION ON POSSIBLE RETURN OF OBAN COMMON GOOD ASSET

The Trustees discussed the possible return of Common Good assets.

Decision

The Trustees unanimously agreed to request that the clerk contact a former applicant to confirm arrangements for the immediate return of goods which are owned by the Oban Common Good Fund, in order that they be made available for use by other appropriately constituted local community groups.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next meeting of the Oban Common Good Fund would take place on Monday, 11 November 2024 at 2pm.