

MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held in the MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS, OBAN on FRIDAY, 2 MARCH 2018

Present: Councillor Elaine Robertson (Chair)
Councillor Kieron Green Councillor Jim Lynch

Attending: Iain Jackson, Governance and Risk Manager
David McGregor, Simmers & Co
Marri Malloy, Chair of Oban Community Council
Dugald Cameron, Church of Scotland
Councillor Roddy McCuish (observer)

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Jamie McGrigor, no other attendees were expected.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Robertson declared a non-financial interest at item 8. (d) Port of Oban Cruise Ship due to her involvement with the group.

Mairi Malloy declared a non-financial interest at items 8. (d) Port of Oban Cruise Ship and 8. (e) Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd, due to her involvement with both groups.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the Oban Common Good Fund held on 14th November 2017 were approved as a correct record.

4. OBAN COMMON GOOD BANKING ARRANGEMENTS

Trustees considered a report that seeks to amend the signatories to reflect the new Governance working arrangements.

It was noted that the application form would also need to be amended to reflect any changes.

Decision

Trustees agreed the recommendations at 3.1 and 3.2 of the submitted report.

(Ref: Report by Area Governance Officer dated 2nd March 2018, submitted)

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

5. END OF PROJECT MONITORING

(a) An Comunn Gaidhealach an Obain

The Trustees considered an end of project monitoring form from the An Comunn Gaidhealach an Obain which was noted.

(b) Highlands and Islands Music and Dance Festival

The Trustees considered an end of project monitoring form from the Highlands and Island Music and Dance Festival which was noted.

6. ACTUAL INCOME EXPENDITURE REPORT

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period 1st April 2017 – 31st January 2018 was considered.

Decision

The Trustees noted the information provided.

(Ref: Financial Statement by David McGregor, Simmers & Co dated 2nd March 2018, submitted).

7. APPLICATION SUMMARY

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

The Chair ruled and the Trustees agreed to take an application submitted by Police Scotland Youth Volunteers as an urgent item due to time constraints on the application.

This item was therefore taken as item 8. (g) of the agenda.

8. NEW APPLICATIONS

(a) Camanachd Association

The Trustees considered the application from the Camanachd Association.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £6000 to the Camanachd Association for their shinty event, but noted that this award could not be used for staffing costs and due to the sum awarded being over £5000 the Group could now not apply to the Oban Common Good Fund for another two years.

The Trustees also noted that they would like the Oban Common Good Fund recognised for their contribution, in any promotions/advertising of the event.

(b) **Oban Live**

The Trustees considered the application from Oban Live.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £4025 to Oban Live towards their event and they noted their hope that local people and businesses were used for the event where possible, and that the Oban Common Good Fund would be recognised for their contribution, in any promotions/advertising of the event.

(c) **Oban Otters**

The Trustees considered the application from Oban Otters.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2814 to Oban Otters to provide Replacement equipment.

Councillor Robertson, having declared a non-financial interest in the application from Port of Oban Cruise Ship left the room and took no part in the discussion of this item. Councillor Green took the Chair.

Mairi Malloy having declared a non-financial interest in the applications from Port of Oban Cruise Ship and Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd left the room and took no part in either discussion.

The trustees agreed to delegate responsibility to the Governance and Risk Manager for discussion of this item, to ensure the meeting remained quorate.

(d) **Port Of Oban Cruise Ship**

The Trustees considered the application from Port of Oban Cruise Ship.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2500 to Port of Oban Cruise Ship to train walking tour guides.

Councillor Robertson returned to the meeting and took the Chair.

(e) **Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd**

The Trustees considered the application from Soroba Community Enterprise Ltd.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £2308 to Soroba Community Enterprise towards the cost of a new community centre.

Mairi Malloy returned to the meeting.

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

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

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £1500 to Highlands and Islands Music and Dance Festival to reinstate the pipe band parade.

The Trustees also noted that they would like the Oban Common Good Fund recognised for their contribution, in any promotions/advertising of the event.

(g) **Police Scotland Youth Volunteers**

The Trustees considered the application from Police Scotland Youth Volunteers.

Decision

The Trustees agreed to award £540 to Police Scotland Youth Volunteers towards footwear and the overall costs of uniforms.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of the Oban Common Good Fund is scheduled for Wednesday 9th May, 14.30pm, Corran Halls, Oban.

The Trustees also noted there is a provisional date of the 28th March 2018 for an additional meeting if required.