

**MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND BY MICROSOFT TEAMS  
on MONDAY, 21 AUGUST 2023**

**Present:** Councillor Andrew Kain (Chair)  
Councillor Kieron Green Councillor Luna Martin

**Attending:** Melissa Stewart, Governance Officer  
Marri Malloy, Observer  
Rev Margi Campbell, Observer

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were intimated by Councillor Jim Lynch and Fr. James MacNeil.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor Luna Martin declared a non-financial interest Item 6f of these minutes, as she is on the Board of Atlantis Leisure. Councillor Martin left the meeting during consideration of the application and did not participate in the decision making.

The Trustees noted that given the Declaration of Interest made by Councillor Martin the meeting would not be quorate in respect of item 6f of these minutes, and resolved that for this item only they would agree a temporary delegation to the Governance Officer. The decision recorded is on that basis

**3. MINUTES OF MEETING**

**(a) Minutes of Oban Common Good Fund - 22 May 2023**

The minutes of the Oban Common Good Fund held on 22 May 2023 were approved as a correct record.

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 4. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period was considered and the Governance Officer advised the Trustees of a request from the Oban War Memorial Centenary Group regarding release of the funding awarded to them on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

**Decision**

1. The Trustees noted the income and expenditure report and

2. The Trustees agreed that the award made to the Oban War Memorial Centenary Group would be paid to the parent body, Oban Communities Trust.

(Ref: Report by Simmers & Co for period ending 31 July 2023, submitted)

## E1 5. **END OF PROJECT MONITORING**

### (a) **Oban High School New York Experience**

The Trustees were invited to consider the End of Project Monitoring from Oban High School New York Experience.

#### **Decision**

The Trustees noted the end of project form.

(Ref: End of Project Monitoring Form, submitted)

## E1 6. **NEW APPLICATIONS**

It was agreed that as Councillor Martin had declared an interest in the Atlantis Leisure application, that the running order of the Agenda would be amended to allow Councillor Martin to leave the meeting whilst these items were discussed and the minute would reflect the order items were discussed.

### (a) **Oban FM**

The applicants withdrew their application prior to meeting, as funding had been secured elsewhere. Therefore, the application was not discussed or considered.

#### **Decision**

No decision required.

### (b) **Kilmelford Parish Church**

The Trustees considered the application from Kilmelford Parish Church.

#### **Decision**

After careful consideration the Trustees agreed to reject the application as it did not meet the application criteria.

(Ref: Application from Kilmelford Parish Church, submitted)

### (c) **Oban Phoenix Cinema**

The Trustees considered the application from Oban Phoenix Cinema.

### **Decision**

It was agreed to award the sum of £549, on the basis that the End of Project Monitoring Form was submitted from their award granted in 2018.

(Ref: Application from Oban Phoenix Cinema, submitted)

#### **(d) Oban Pride**

The Trustees considered the application from Oban Pride.

### **Decision**

It was agreed to award £1200 towards capital expenditure items for the new reading area and the multi-sensory equipment/ear defenders.

(Ref: Application from Oban Pride, submitted)

#### **(e) Oban Winter Festival**

The Trustees considered an application from Oban Winter Festival.

Decision

After careful consideration it was agreed to award a donation of £1000.

(Ref: Application from Oban Winter Festival, submitted)

Councillor Luna Martin left the meeting.

#### **(f) Atlantis Leisure**

The Trustees considered the application from Atlantis Leisure.

### **Decision**

In noting that there was a funding bid yet to be determined, it was unanimously agreed that the Oban Common Good Fund would underwrite any shortfall in funding up to the maximum amount of £9616.

(Ref: Application from Atlantis Leisure, submitted)

## **7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Trustees agreed to hold their next meeting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023 at 2.00pm by TEAMS.