

**MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND held in the GROUND FLOOR  
MEETING ROOM, LORN HOUSE, ALBANY STREET, OBAN  
on FRIDAY, 20 JUNE 2014**

**Present:** Councillor Elaine Robertson (Chair)  
Councillor Neil Macintyre Councillor Iain A MacDonald

**Attending:** Melissa Stewart, Area Governance Officer  
Marri Malloy, Oban Community Council

**1. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillor Alistair MacDougall, Andy Newiss - R A Clements and Dugald Cameron – Church of Scotland.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Councillor Neil Macintyre to the Fund as the new Ward 4 Member to replace former Councillor Fred Hall.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

**3. MINUTES**

**(a) OBAN COMMON GOOD FUND - 25 FEBRUARY 2014**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2014 were approved as a correct record.

**4. CORRESPONDENCE**

**(a) ARGYLLSHIRE GATHERING**

A letter was received from Argyllshire Gathering in regard to a previous agreement to underwrite the event by the Common Good Fund.

**Decision**

The Area Governance Assistant agreed to acknowledge the letter from Argyllshire Gathering and advise them that any further funding requests would require to be made by formal application.

**5. ACTUAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

A financial statement detailing the current position of investment transaction for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April to 29<sup>th</sup> May 2014 was considered.

## **Decision**

The Trustees noted the information provided.

(Ref: Financial Statement by Andy Newiss, R A Clement Associates dated 20<sup>th</sup> June 2014, submitted).

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

### **(a) LORN GROUP SWRI**

The Trustees received an End of Project Monitoring report from Lorn Group SWRI.

#### **Decision**

1. Trustees noted the information contained in the report; and
2. The Area Governance Assistant agreed to write to all applicants that have received monies in the last financial year and ask them to complete and return an End of Project Monitoring report before the next meeting in August.

## **7. FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2014**

The Trustees considered the Financial Statement for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2014.

#### **Decision**

1. The Trustees agreed that this report would come back to the next meeting when Andy Newiss is present; and
2. Agreed to forward any questions they have in relation to the report to the Area Governance Assistant, who will pass onto Andy Newiss before the next meeting.

## **8. OUTSTANDING COMMITMENTS**

The Chair advised the Group that Oban Shopmobility have now ceased trading as such and accordingly had withdrawn their application.

#### **Decision**

The Trustees noted the information provided and that the previously agreed grant was no longer required.

## **9. NEW APPLICATIONS**

### **(a) HOGMANAY IN OBAN**

The Trustees considered a letter and application from Hogmanay in Oban.

## **Decision**

1. The Trustees agreed to underwrite the shortfall of £1068.75 to Hogmanay in Oban; and
2. Continued the application to the August meeting when the applicants from Hogmanay in Oban would be invited along to give the Trustees a breakdown on specific costs, to discuss the charging policy and to provide clarification of the venue and the reason for the venue change.

### **(b) OBAN YOUTH CAFE**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Oban Youth Café.

## **Decision**

1. The Trustees have agreed to write to Oban Youth Café and ask for more information on their overheads, a copy of their 2013 Directors' report and financial statements, information on the outcome of their funding applications to other organisations and that they produce a business plan focussing on the way forward for the organisation; and
2. Upon receipt of this information, the Trustees agreed to delegate to the Area Governance Manager in consultation with the Chair, determination as to whether representatives of the Group should be invited to attend to provide any further clarification to the Trustees at their August meeting, where the application will be reconsidered.

### **(c) OBAN SAILING CLUB**

The Trustees considered an application for a grant from Oban Sailing Club.

## **Decision**

The Trustees agreed to support option A of the application and awarded Oban Sailing Club with the sum of £2327 and noted that the new training dinghy will be called after the Oban Common Good Fund.

### **(d) OBAN WINTER FESTIVAL**

The Trustees considered an application for funding from Oban Winter Festival.

## **Decision**

The Trustees agreed to award the sum of £3000 with an underwrite of £1000.

### **(e) ST COLUMBAS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

The Trustees considered an application from St Columbas Primary School.

**Decision**

The Trustees declined the application from St Columbas Primary School.