

Ulva School Community Association Committee

Draft Minutes - 13/09/2012

1. **Attending:** Carolyne Charrington, Iain Thomson, Jeannie MacColl, David Woodhouse, Beccy Roth, Lucy Mackenzie, Don Lambert, Chris Leitch, Jeanette Cutlack, Rebecca Munro, Stuart McKie, Emma McKie & Mike Hogan. **Attending:** Alasdair Satchel & Cally Fleming. **Apologies:** Heather Waller.
2. **Regatta** - Nigel Hewitt Attending to talk about how USCA and its members might help. Agreed to send email to Mull members and also offered other support. NH left the meeting.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** Attached Proposed DW and Seconded LM.
4. **Co-option of new committee member(s)** Jane Chauvet co-opted.
5. **Matters Arising** (not covered under individual headings below): Salen show report - was a useful event to both promote USCA but also the area and what it produces, especially crafts. JM's gazebo was damaged when being used by USCA and committee agreed that a new one should be bought. Polytunnel - Helen Mackay is getting quotes for using Treshnish Digger for footings.
6. **Finance:** Current position still healthy (circa £9000), but some items are due for payment.
7. **Community issues:** The idea of showing regular films in the school was discussed and AS explained what would be required. JC and AS to investigate further. Having a table at the Charity Fair on 3rd November was discussed and it was agreed that LM would co-ordinate and possibly take two tables. There was discussion on events that could be considered over the winter, not only aimed at local residents but that might to draw people in from out of the area. AS spoke about community land fund.

8. **Housing Issues:** Roots Architects had been in touch again and the committee agreed to keep in touch with them and to consider holding their workshop. Achleck update: this is still on-going with people actively working on it. The committee discussed this at some length and agreed that the following should be officially minuted:

The committee is now extremely concerned at the length of time taken to reach any major agreements and at the next meeting will discuss setting a deadline. Meanwhile USCA should explore other options.

USCA's constitution has been submitted to the Scottish Government to check whether it is sufficient to enable USCA to be a Rural Housing Body. If it isn't then USCA will have to hold a Special General Meeting to make any required alterations to the constitution.

9. **Publicity Issues:** Newsletter will be produced by the end of the month. Website will be updated with the regatta information (MH to action). Twitter account details to be passed to new Convenor.
10. **School Issues:** The need for proper cleaning after USCA use, was explored and it was agreed that when needed (eg after summer workshops) USCA would be willing to pay for cleaning.
11. **Organisation and Workload:** Committee decided that we should start moving on applying for charitable status and also book up Moray for training session (MH to action) In view of the previously notified resignations of CC & BR the positions of Convenor and Treasurer would need to be filled. Rebecca Munro was chosen as Convenor and Emma McKie as treasurer.
12. **Any other business:** The committee wished to place on record their deep appreciation of everything that CC had done for USCA, both as Convenor and Vice-Convenor. They also wished to thank BR for all she has done in her time on the committee.
13. **Date of next meeting:** Monday 15th October, 7:30pm at Ulva School.