

# Ulva School Community Association Committee

## Minutes - 19/01/2012

1. **Apologies:** None  
Present: Carlyne Charrington, Iain Thomson, Michael Hogan, David Clowes, Beccy Roth, Gary Cutlack, Lucy Mackenzie.  
Gremlin Napier was introduced to the committee and was Co-opted unanimously.
2. **Minutes of previous meeting:** Proposed BR Seconded IT Accepted Unanimously
3. **Matters Arising:**  
**Community Gatherings:** - Application conditions discussed and options on a possible polytunnel were explored. The conditions that accompany the award will need to be checked carefully.  
Unfortunately, due to the illness of a number of people, the Hogmanay Gathering had to be cancelled at short notice. USCA will try to apologise personally to anyone who was inconvenienced.  
Chrissie's evening was riveting and a great success.  
The Burns Supper is organised and just the numbers are needed for catering. Flyer to be produced by Sunday **MH to action.**  
**Innovation Fund Bid:** - A meeting was held in Oban with all interested parties. CC and IT attended for USCA. The meeting was generally positive and the Torloisk Estate seemed very willing to work with USCA. There was a possible issue regarding the taxation of property which has been leased and then renovated at little or no cost to the owners. This will need clarification and also other options looked at. USCA also needs to be aware of the need for external financing once the project is up and running.  
**Jim Mather meeting :** - Elaine Crane attended for this part of the meeting. The invitations have just been sent out and there are two acceptances so far. The idea of a film/presentation was discussed and it was thought to be ideal, especially as a 'looping' presentation over lunch. The view was that the presentation should last 5-10 minutes and as well as general footage of the area and some USCA events should contain short clips of residents and prospective residents talking. Clips should be 20 - 30 seconds long. **CC, MH & GC to action.** Details of the film should be put in the newsletter. There should also be some 'static' presentations around the room as well - eg: the fete enlargements, maps etc. The message we should try to communicate is that this is a community wanting to be given the tools to ensure their sustainable future. The Comptons have very kindly offered Torloisk House as a lunch venue. USCA will be arranging catering. **BR to action. DC to check on**

**Bus availability, LM to check on chairs.** Discussion on how the meeting is going to work. Suggested that **IT and CC to be spokespeople** at the meeting.

**AGM:** - Date agreed as the 8th February 2012. The format of the meeting was discussed. MH distributed a briefing on possible changes to the Constitution and highlighted a conflict within the constitution itself that will need to be resolved. There was a discussion about the possibility of changing to become a Charity. Since there might be advantages to this it was decided to ask permission at the AGM to apply to be a charity if it would be of benefit.

**Scotlands Islands Funding:** This was discussed and a number of items will need to be resolved. Finance issues - **IT to action**, feedback etc - **CC & BR to action**.

**Newsletter:** - Contents for January - Minutes, AGM, Achleck Update, Filming and meeting. Need to double check who receives them via email and who is on a manual distribution list. MH left the meeting.

**HIE/LEADER LDO Post:** CC updated the committee on the LDO recruitment including that the closing date had been put back to allow wider advertising. MH returned to the meeting.

4. **Finance:**  
Update on finances provided by IT.
5. **Organisation and Workload**  
Checking on numbers and revenues for the summer family workshops.  
**MH to action.**
6. **Community issues:** The following consultations are taking place and should be brought to the attention of members via the newsletter:  
Salmon Farm Consultation, Ferry Consultation.  
**Community Gathering:** Options for February explained. To advertise them 100 flyers to be produced - **MH to action**. Options for March were discussed. **BR, LM CC & MH to action.**
7. **Housing Issues:**
8. **Publicity Issues:** Both websites updated.
9. **School Issues:**
10. **Any other business:** Donation to USCA of £295 from LM of Lipnacloiche.
11. **Date of next meeting:** Thursday 9/02/12 at Old Mill solely to discuss JM meeting and any urgent business. 7PM.