

Sunart Community Company
Loch Development Working Group

MINUTES

28th Sept 2017 – 18.30 – 21.15

Present: J.Jones, P.Ford, J.Hilder, B.Evans, L.Cameron, B.Edwards, C.Campbell, I.Baker

Apologies: K.Bungey, Chris Evans, Alasdair Firth.

1. Thank you to James and Michelle Hilder for allowing group to use the Hotel Breakfast Room
2. Agreed minutes of last meeting JJ and PF
3. Ownership of Land and Jetty – progress
Slowed down still by HC / Crown dispute over outstanding bills
JH to talk to Andrew Baxter and follow up on Outstanding £400, and land acquisition.
4. Crown Estate
Moorings areas submitted, Val drawing up draft 'Heads of Terms' agreement
IB to Circulate Final Moorings area Maps
5. Marine Scotland
Once moorings areas authorised will contact marine Scotland with update and to change name on the agreement
6. Stables
Change of use to dwelling house was filled, rejected, then appealed, and rejected again.
7. Visitor Moorings
Costings investigated – what do we want to do? Potential funding from Common Good Fund
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BE to get an quote for tackle from other company for due diligence
IB to ask John McMillan about costs of inspection per year and if he would give a quote for installation
PF to draw map of visitor moorings and work with Izzy to submit Welcome Anchorages form
IB to put up 'Notice of upcoming work' outside shop for laying moorings.
8. Funding – Scottish Land Fund –
Application for development funding submitted to SLF which will fund out feasibility work for 'Stables Plot'.
IB JH to look for funding for Visitor moorings – SCGF, SCCouncil, etc
Group discussed having some honesty boxes / collection boxes at the PO, Shop and Hotel to raise and collect funds for the Jetty, Slip and Moorings.
9. Tourism Survey. IB and Caitlan Hilder went to Tobermory and filled out Marine Tourism Surveys – 20 boats
SMMAATA will process surveys from the Tobermory visit.
10. Market Research
The group agreed that the season has now finished so there will be little opportunity to talk to boat users directly. It was agreed that Izzy should spend some time contacting Charter Companies etc to get some expertise and information from them.
IB send LIST of charter companies etc round Loch Group.
IB Work on emailing out survey to gather commercial expertise re potential use of Loch Sunart and marine facilities necessary. Armadale, Croabh Haven
11. SMAATA
The tourist association will be processing the Marine Tourism Surveys completed in the summer.
12. CAOLAS
The group are maintaining a link with CAOLAS and will work together on appropriate projects.
13. Moorings Association Matters
Raft – *JH will bring ashore for the winter*

14. The group acknowledged that although the primary focus has been on assets and moorings, which is particularly relevant at this time, the group formed to carry out broader work, to enhance, promote and enable a wide range of activities, use and benefits of Loch Sunart and surrounding area.
15. Date of Next Meeting **8th November 7pm** – Location to be confirmed

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