



MULL & IONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes of the meeting held on the 2nd DECEMBER 2002 in the CRAIGNURE HALL

PRESENT : Alan Mc Connochie, Tom Bettley, David Gracie, Michael Ackerley, Derek Crook, Georgia O'Neill, Sandy Brunton, Alan Parker.

APOLOGIES : Olive Brown, Pat Logan.

MINUTES : Minutes of the meeting on 4th November 2002 proposed by Tom and seconded by Michael.

MATTERS ARISING : RE - CYCLING MEETING - Derek gave a run down on the meeting. It was well attended with all present making positive comments. Olive has already been contacted by one of the speakers on the subject of wasteful packaging. Thanks to Jo for the excellent buffet.

FERRY COMMITTEE - Sandy raised several issues that<**MICHAEL**> will raise at the next meeting. These include lack of consultation, senior citizen tickets, alternate route advice, lack of clarity in pricing and timetables.

ROAD UPGRADE - Alan reported on the supporting letters he had received from all quarters. <**ALAN**> will contact Alastair MacDougall with details of support received and ask him what should then be done.

TRAVEL FAIR - <**ALAN**> will contact Maureen at the Tourist Office to seek clarification on any assistance that may be forthcoming via Holiday Mull and other interested parties.

ANNUAL DINNER - It was agreed that the Highland Cottage in Tobermory would be this years venue and <**ALAN**>will contact them for dates and prices . <**SANDY**> will approach senior members of the Glasgow/Scottish Chambers to act as speaker with The Chamber's 10th anniversary in mind.

CHAMBER PUBLICITY - <**ALAN**>will ask Olive for details of car and envelope stickers. <**SANDY**>will do a business article for the website in January and <**ALAN**>will do the same for February.

PRESIDENT : Sandy updated the Board on his attendance at the Insuleur meeting in Sardinia. <**SANDY**> will try to create some publicity for this trip. Sandy will supply detailed info to interested parties. Sandy commented on other correspondence received.

COMM. TRUST UPDATE - In Pat's absence Sandy advised that the Butcher shop was doing well and that the slaughterhouse had received money to upgrade equipment.

It has been proposed to create a meeting room and office in Craignure, this would also be a permanent base for the Community Trust.

James Hilder has advised Sandy that land is being sought with a view to Community housing being built when finance becomes available. Anyone who knows of available land on Mull & Iona please contact James.

WEBSITE - <**GEORGIA**> will provide membership details at the next meeting and will put Royal Bank details on bad debts on the site.

TREASURER - Tom reported a balance of £2888.40.

SECRETARY - Alan reported on the correspondence received in the month.

AOCB - None.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 6th January 2003 in the Craignure Hall at 8pm.

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