

MULL & IONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes of the meeting held on the 7th APRIL 2003 in the CRAIGNURE HALL

PRESENT : Alan Mc Connachie, Michael Ackerley, Derek Crook, Sandy Brunton, Tom Bettley, Georgia O'Neill, Olive Brown.

APOLOGIES : Jo Reade.

MINUTES : Minutes of the meeting on 3rd March 2003 proposed by Michael and seconded by Sandy.

BOARD ELECTIONS : Sandy, Tom, Alan and Michael were re-elected as President, Treasurer, Secretary and Vice-President respectively.

MATTERS ARISING : FERRY COMMITTEE - <MICHAEL> will suggest advertising the fact that tickets for senior citizens may be purchased in advance. Michael advised that two linkspans in Oban should be in use by the start of the summer 2004 timetable and that the integrated transport terminal may not now be constructed. A general discussion followed.

ROAD UPGRADE - Alan updated the Committee on his meeting with George Lyon and STRAG.

TRAVEL FAIR - Alan and Sandy will attend the Fair on the 8.4.03 and report back at the next meeting.

ANNUAL DINNER - All who attended the dinner agreed it was excellent with a very useful breakfast meeting to follow. Subjects covered included Local Economic Forums, Transport and the difficulties, present and future, affecting rural Post Offices.

MEMBERSHIP FEES - It was agreed to increase our annual fee to £30. <GEORGIA> will issue an explanatory letter with the renewal form.

PRESIDENT : Sandy met with the SNP candidate and discussed roads, seasonality, etc. The next Insuleur meeting is in May. The WOSCG is on the 22.5.03 at 10.30 in West Dumbarton.

COMM. TRUST UPDATE - Derek advised that Terry Hegarty would like to attend the next meeting. Olive would like the subject excess packaging discussed if he is present.

WEBSITE - Georgia updated on site activity.

TREASURER - Tom reported a balance of £2572.51.

SECRETARY - Alan reported on correspondence received in the month.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 5th May 2003 in the Craignure Hall at 8pm.