

MULL & IONA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Minutes of the meeting held on the 6th JANUARY 2003 in the CRAIGNURE HALL

PRESENT : Alan Mc Connachie, Michael Ackerley, Derek Crook, Sandy Brunton.

APOLOGIES : Olive Brown, Pat Logan, Tom Bettley, Georgia O'Neill.

MINUTES : Minutes of the meeting on 2nd December 2002 proposed by Derek and seconded by Sandy.

MATTERS ARISING : FERRY COMMITTEE - <MICHAEL will raise the Chamber's concern regarding the lack of information on various matters from Cal Mac. The Scottish Chambers are seeking to make sea transport an issue for their prospectus , <MICHAEL> will provide details.

ROAD UPGRADE - Alan and Michael reported on their meeting with George Lyon MSP, as a result <SANDY> will assist Alasdair MacDougall in drafting a supporting letter to other councillors.

TRAVEL FAIR - Alan has received positive feedback from Holiday Mull regarding the proposed venture and will report at next meeting.

ANNUAL DINNER - Sandy has approached Scottish Chambers to provide a speaker for the dinner with a proposed date of 28.02.03.

PRESIDENT : Sandy has received the final declaration from the Insuleur meeting in Sardinia and will forward copies to MSP's etc.<SANDY>. Sandy suggested hosting another hustings for the Scottish elections - any comments ? Sandy commented on other correspondence received.

COMM. TRUST UPDATE - In Pat's absence Sandy commented on the M.E.S.S. re-cycling funding. Derek will be the steering group Chamber rep. The Trust is also investigating ways of solving its ongoing core - funding problems.

WEBSITE - No update in Georgia's absence. The Glengorm visit will be the Website news item which <DEREK> will forward to Georgia. <ALAN> will ask Georgia to make the circular e-mail a request for ideas on which subject to hold the next special meeting on.

TREASURER - Tom advised Alan the balance in account is £2870.90.

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

AOCB - Alan advised that the local licensing authority has decided that all licensees should undergo training to ensure they are fit and proper people to hold a license. <ALAN> will contact other licensees with a view to organising a training course locally.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - 3rd February 2003 in the Craignure Hall at 8pm.