BORNISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL Comhairle Coimhearsnachd Bhornais **Minute/ Note of Meeting**		
TITLE	Bornish Community Council Committee Meeting	
DATE	25/03/2005 at 7.00 pm	
VENUE	Stoneybridge Hall	
DISTRIBUTION	Committee + Councillors + CnES	

Present:	Donald John MacDonald (DJM) Seonag MacInnes (SMI) Marie Campbell (MC) Kenny Macdonald (KMD) Elizabeth MacInnes (IMI) Murdo MacRury (MMR) Donald MacIsaac (DMacI)) Cllr Paul Steele (PS) Miriam McKernan (MMK)
Absent: apologies	Iseabail Macdonald (IMcD) Cllr Susan Thompson (ST) Chrissie Laing (CL))) Gerard McKernan (GMK) Cllr Iain MacLeod (IML) Jenni Foote (JF) Kenny MacInnes(KMI)

Agenda Item		Summary and noted	Action	Who	When
1	**Welcome**	DJM thanked everyone for attending			
2	**Minutes**	Previous minutes February 2025 agreed by those present	Send minutes to CnES	MC	
3	**Matters arising**	a) **Transport:** **Ferries –** more issues with ferries and weather with SU service again most affected. Uist Business Group taking lead including demand for businesses to be compensated Little progress on Lochboisdale port **Planes –** MC inspected proposed larger plane for Benbecula -Stornoway route. Verdict that it	Attend inspection	MC	

		is better than current plane but issues remain re access for people with mobility issues Recent meeting of Western Isles Transport & Health Working Group to move forward findings and recommendations of report. (report sent to members)	Keep in touch with BPPG	MC
		STORAS Deer and other estate management/crofting issues etc: **No update on** draft Deer Management Plan, 2030 Consultations or hydrology. No Christmas event £ in bank as promised - Emails to CEO and "acting" CEO have not been acknowledged	Continue to	DJM
		Snishival Bridge – PS reported that discussions are taking place between CnES and Storas re funding options		MC
		Uist Deer Management meeting on 4th April d) **School Transport –** Draft response to CnES consultation circulated and agreed e) **Christmas event 2024 and 2025**– All invoices now paid/being paid including cheque mislaid by MacLeans. f) **CLERK -** post to be widely advertised g) **Howmore Post Box –** Royal Mail has indicated that several boxes need replaced and they are awaiting availability of mainland contactors who replace all boxes. No timescale available	Attend meeting Await decision about whether consultation will continue to Stege 2 Contact any potential caterers for 2025 Am Politician?	SMCI /DJM MC/ALL MC
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5	**Finances**	£2813.05 in last statement in bank Cheque for Stoneybridge Hall for Christmas event and hall higher for 2024	Check if paperwork has been returned by CnES	SMCI /DJM	
6	**Uist & Barra Association of Community Councils**	Still no interest from majority of CCs to form Association at this time			
7	**Uist and Barra Housing Group**	No update on group. PS reported that some of the projects previously taken forward by the group now being done by TIG and HHP (Clachan and Iochdar) .	.		
8	**South Uist and Eriskay Forum**	No update. PS indicated that Community Council will be involved in Coastal Communities Fund distribution			
9	**Councillors update**	**Budget** agreed with 3M of savings to be achieved. Saving include school cleaning and shorter library hours. Council Tax increase 7.5% - second lowest in Scotland **Roads** UK Community Renewal Fund 15M spend earmarked for Uist (including Middle District) to be spent by March 2026. Unadopted roads not included (eg Snishival) **Uist Economic Partnership** (former Task Force) being revitalised including community input, with priorities including repopulation, connectivity and role of Community Planning **Transport Issues** – advice to CC to keep up pressure on all agencies, politicians etc			
10	**Correspondence**	List of consultation requests sent prior to meeting			

11	**AOCB**	Stoneybridge Hall Warm Hub- acknowledgement of its success			
12	**Date of next meeting**	April pm Stoneybridge Hall 7pm			