

## Minutes of meeting Carloway Community Council

18.03.2025 19.00 Church of Scotland Hall

### Present:

Inga Benga (Chair), John Macaskill, Susanne Erbida (Secretary), Iain D Macleod (Treasurer), Sarah Unsen, Jim Myles, Sarah Unsen

Apologies: Misty

In attendance: Ranald Fraser (Councillor), Alice Murray (Development Officer)

1. Minutes of the last meeting approved SE & IB

2. Matters arising from last meeting:

Notice Boards: RF asked if someone could email him a template and to guide the contractor from the council so they can draft the board accordingly; can be generic or more elaborate; i.e: defibrillator, phone signal, rip tides; It was noted that the notice board can be fixed at the side of the toilets.

Dalmore Toilets: It was noted that the locks seize up and people were stuck in the toilets; IDM sent an email to council to fix the locks, however there was no response. The first toilet door lock was fixed a while ago, and the second lock is now broken. Action: RF to urge council to fix this as no phone coverage for people to phone anyone.

Waterpipes in TC: It was noted that some work is now being done.

Finances: IDM noted that the Youth Club lost the cheque and a new cheque is being issued; cheques for Martha Warburton and Lucky2Here for the Defibrillator Pads were issued.

3. AOB:

Playpark - SU spoke to a Playpark equipment company; YouthClub sent in ideas for Playpark; Biggest obstacle is getting quotes from Playpark companies and obtaining funding as equipment is very expensive (i.e. simple equipment £41,000). IB spoke to Donald about funding from Northland. Possibly Crown Estate (now Coastal Communities) funding too. We need a contact from council who can install the playpark equipment. Possibly HHP can give advice on installing equipment.

Transocean Money: It was noted that the money went to council not Community Council/Community Association.

Visitor Levy Proposals: IDM gave a brief overview on the issues that would affect businesses with the visitor levy. RF noted that the question was if there is enough size to raise it vs the cost of bureaucracy. Consultation on it is running at the moment on it, council has not taken a stance on it yet. RF noted that there is a risk that parts of Scotland would price themselves out of the international tourism. Any feedback can go into the consultation.

Northland/Spiorad Na Mara consultation: The consultation is running now in regards to community benefit