



# COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

**COMATAIDH NA GÀIDHLIG: APPLICATION  
FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE – COMUNN  
NA GÀIDHLIG: GAELIC DEVELOPMENT  
CONFERENCE**

**24 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Report By Chief Executive

## **PURPOSE**

- 1.1 Members are asked to determine the following application for financial assistance from Comunn na Gàidhlig (CnaG).

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- 2.1 This application is for funding of £4,000 towards the costs of organising a Gaelic conference in Stornoway on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2025, during Seachdain na Gàidhlig, as part of a series of events to mark the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary since CnaG was founded. At this conference, progress in Gaelic development over the last 40 years will be examined, and the strategies required for the development of Gaelic in Western Isles communities in future will be debated.
- 2.2 It is anticipated that representatives of a range of Gaelic, public and community organisations in the Isles, and beyond, will be at this conference, including the Comhairle, Bòrd na Gàidhlig, and the Deputy First Minister of Scotland.

## **3.1 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Comhairle approve that the sum of £4,000 be awarded to CnaG towards the cost of the Gaelic development conference, on such terms and conditions as the Chief Executive shall determine.

**COMATAIDH NA GÀIDHLIG: IARRTAS AIRSON  
TAIC-AIRGID – COMUNN NA GÀIDHLIG: CO-  
LABHAIRT LEASACHADH NA GÀIDHLIG**

**24 SULTAIN 2024**

Aithisg leis an Àrd-oifigear

## **ADHBHAR**

- 1.1 Thathar ag iarraidh air Buill dearbhadh iarrtas bho Chomunn na Gàidhlig (CnaG) airson taic airgid.

## **GEÀRR-CHUNNTAS**

- 2.1 Tha an t-iarrtas seo a' sireadh taic airgid de £4,000 gus cuideachadh le cosgais co-labhairt Ghàidhlig ann an Steòrnabhagh air 25<sup>mh</sup> Gearran 2025, fhad 's a tha Seachdain na Gàidhlig air, mar phàirt de sreath de thachartasan gus stèidheachadh CnaG o chionn 40 bliadhna a chomharrachadh. Aig a' cho-labhairt thèid sgrùdadh a dhèanamh air leasachadh na Gàidhlig thairis air an 40 bliadhna mu dheireadh, agus thèid beachdachadh air na ro-innleachdan a dh'fheumar gus Gàidhlig a leasachadh ann an coimhearsnachdan nan Eilean san àm ri teachd.
- 2.2 Thathar an dùil gum bi riochdairean bho sreath de bhuidhnean Gàidhlig, poblach agus coimhearsnachd sna h-Eileanan, agus nas fhaide air falbh, an làthair aig a' cho-labhairt, a' gabhail a-steach a' Chomhairle, Bòrd na Gàidhlig agus Leas-phrìomh Mhinistear na h-Alba.

## **3.1 MOLAI DHEAN**

Thathar a' moladh gun aontachadh a' Chomhairle gum bi maoinachadh de £4,000 air a thoirt do ChnaG a thaobh cosgais co-labhairt leasachadh na Gàidhlig, a rèir theirmean agus chùmhnanntan air am mìneachadh leis an Àrd-oifigear.

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Appendix: A. CnaG application for financial assistance.

Background Papers:

Cuir fios gu: Dòmhnall Weir, Oifigear Taic Gàidhlig, Sgioba na Gàidhlig  
Fa-sgrìobhadh: A. A. Iarrrtas ChnaG airson taic-airgid Aithisg Adhartais: Foghlam Gàidhlig Pàipearan Fiosrachaidh

## IMPLICATIONS

The following implications are applicable in terms of the Report.

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| 4.1 | <b>Resource Implications</b>  | <b>Implications/None</b>                | 4.1 |
|     | Financial                     | From Small Gaelic Projects budget       |     |
|     | Legal                         | None                                    |     |
|     | Staffing                      | None                                    |     |
|     | Assets and Property           | None                                    |     |
|     |                               |                                         |     |
|     | <b>Strategic Implications</b> | <b>Implications/None</b>                |     |
|     | Risk                          | None                                    |     |
|     | Equalities                    | None                                    |     |
|     | Corporate Strategy            | Priority 1.5: Gaelic Language & Culture |     |
|     | Environmental Impact          | None                                    |     |
|     | Consultation                  | None                                    |     |

## BUAIDH

Tha na a-leanas mar bhuidhean.

| <b>Buaidhean Stòras</b>          | <b>Buaidh/Neo-ni</b>                     |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Ionmhas                          | Bho bhuidseat Pròiseactan Beaga Gàidhlig |
| Laghail                          | Neo-ni                                   |
| Sgiobachd                        |                                          |
| So-mhaoin is Tog                 |                                          |
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| <b>Buaidhean Ro-innleachdail</b> | <b>Buaidh/Neo-ni</b>                     |
| Cunnart                          | Neo-ni                                   |
| Co-ionannachd                    | Neo-ni                                   |
| Ro-innleachd Chorporra           | Prìomhachas 1.5: Gàidhlig agus Cultar    |
| Buaidh air an Àrainneachd        | Neo-ni                                   |
| Co-chomhairleachadh              | Neo-ni                                   |

## THE CONFERENCE: INFORMATION

5.1 The central aim of this conference is to bring those involved in Gaelic development together with representatives of our Gaelic communities in order to put together an agreed, cross-organisation plan of action for the development of Gaelic in Western Isles communities.

5.2 Therefore, in addition to speakers from a range of organisations, this conference will also provide a platform for young people and parents from our communities to discuss ways in which they think the use, learning and promotion of Gaelic can be developed in community settings.

## A' CHO-LABHAIRT: FIOSRACHADH

5.1 B' e prìomh amas na co-labhairt luchd-obrach a tha an sàs ann an leasachadh na Gàidhlig is riochdairean bho choimhearsnachdan Gàidhlig a thoirt còmhla gus plana gnìomh, air aontachadh leis na buidhnean, a chur ri chèile airson leasachadh na Gàidhlig ann an coimhearsnachdan nan Eilean Siar.

5.2 Mar sin, a bharrachd air a bhith a' cluinntinn bho luchd-labhairt bho sreath de bhuidhnean, tha a' cho-labhairt seo cuideachd a' toirt cothrom do dhaoine òga agus do phàrantan na beachdan aca air mar as urrainnear cleachdadh, ionnsachadh agus àrdachadh na Gàidhlig sna coimhearsnachdan a leasachadh.

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| 5.3 | The conference will take place in Stornoway, and it is estimated that around 200 delegates will take part, with many others accessing it online. In addition to emphasising the lead role of the Western Isles in terms of Gaelic development, this conference will provide an economic boost to businesses in the Isles. Holding the conference during Seachdain na Gàidhlig will also provide it with maximum publicity. | 5.3 | Thèid a’ cho-labhairt a chumail ann an Steòrnabhagh, agus thathar dhen bheachd gum bi 200 neach an làthair, le tòrr eile ga leantainn air-loidhne. A bharrachd air a bhith a’ cur cuideam air prìomh àite nan Eilean Siar a thaobh leasachadh na Gàidhlig, bidh deagh bhuidhe eaconomach aig a’ cho-labhairt air gnìomhachasan sna h-Eileanan. Gheibh a’ cho-labhairt am follaiseachd as motha cuideachd le bhith ga cumail aig àm Seachdain na Gàidhlig. |
| 5.4 | A detailed breakdown of the costs of the project is provided on Page 4 of the Appendix to this Report.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | 5.4 | Gheibhear fiosrachadh mionaideach mu chosgaisean a’ phròiseict air Duilleag 4 san Fharsgrìobhadh den Aithisg seo.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

