

COMHAIRLE NAN EILEAN SIAR

LOCAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE JOINT CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE

Minute of Meeting held in Committee Room 1, Council Offices, Stornoway on Thursday 21 August 2025 at 10.30am.

PRESENT Mr Matthew Locke (Chair)

Mr Kenny M Macleod Ms Fiona Black
Dr Frances Murray Mr Adam Hill
Mr Paul Steele

Ms Shona Clark

APOLOGIES Mr Duncan MacInnes Mr Kenneth Macleod (Convenor)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE Mrs Carmen Macdonald Mrs Jean Macdonald Mr Derek Mackay Mrs Yvonne Maciver

MINUTES

Minute of Meeting of 3 June 2025

1 The Minute of Meeting of 20 March 2025 was approved.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MINUTES

Municipal Services

– Health and Safety
Committee
Meeting – 15 April
2025

2 The Minute of Meeting of Municipal Services – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 15 April 2025 was noted.

Assets and Infrastructure – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 30 April 2025 The Minute of Meeting of Assets and Infrastructure – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 30 April 2025 was **noted**.

Municipal Services

– Health and Safety
Committee
Meeting – 24 June

2025

The Minute of Meeting of Municipal Services – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 24 June 2025 was **noted**.

Education and Children's Services – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 24 June 2025 The Minute of Meeting of Education and Children's Services – Health and Safety Committee Meeting – 24 June 2025 was **noted**.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Hand Arm Vibration Review

The Senior Health and Safety Officer submitted a Report to note the review od the Hand Arm Vibration Guidance document. The Report stated that the Comhairle had overall legal responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of its employees; this included assessing and reducing the exposure to Hand Arm Vibration.

The Report indicated that the most notable change within the document was the addition of 22% to the manufacturers declared vibration magnitude in the calculation for the vibration assessment. Manufacturer data was measured under standardised testing and controlled conditions. The addition of 22% to the vibration magnitude was to allow for the variability that occurs during actual use.

It was noted that consultation for the document had taken place through departmental Health and Safety Committees and the Occupation Health Section.

It was agreed to note the review od the Hand Arm Vibration Guidance document.