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Title	Harris Forum Business Meeting Minutes		
Date	02/09/2024	Time	7.30pm
Venue	North Harris Trust Meeting Room		
Distribution	Harris Forum Member Organisations (MOs)		

<b>Present</b>	<p>EVA KREILEDER (EK), HFDO – Draft Minutes</p> <p><b>North Harris Community Council, NHCC:</b>          AGNES MORRISON (AM);          FRAN MILLAR (FM);</p> <p><b>South Harris Community Council, SHCC:</b>          Apologised</p> <p><b>Scalpay Community Council, SCC:</b>          Shaun Bloomfield (SB)</p> <p><b>North Harris Trust, NHT:</b>          KIRSTY MACKAY (KMK);</p> <p><b>West Harris Trust, WHT:</b>          NEIL MACDONALD, (NM)</p> <p><b>Harris Development Ltd., HDL:</b>          ANGUS J MACLEOD (AJM) – Vice-Chair Harris Forum, Final Minutes;          KENNY MACLEOD (KML);</p> <p><b>Harris Voluntary Service, HVS:</b>          Apologised</p> <p><b>Community Learning &amp; Development, CLD:</b>          Apologised</p> <p><b>Leverhulme Community Hub, LCH:</b></p> <p><b>Western Isles Community Care Forum, WICCF:</b>          PEGGY MACKAY (PMK);</p> <p><b>Scalpay Community Association, SCA:</b>          GORDON NESS (GN);</p> <p><b>Rionnagon Oga, RO:</b>          Apologised</p> <p><b>SportHarris, SH:</b>          GORDON MACDONALD (MD);</p> <p><b>Via videoconference:</b>          -</p>	<p><b>Agenda:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Welcome from Vice Chair</li> <li>2. Apologies</li> <li>3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting 24th June 2024.</li> <li>4. Matters Arising</li> <li>5. HFDO Introduction</li> <li>6. HFDO Update</li> <li>7. Member Organisation Reports</li> <li>8. HFDO Time requests</li> <li>9. Councillor Report</li> <li>10. Transport Update</li> <li>11. AOCB</li> <li>12. DONM</li> </ol>
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Agenda Item		Summary and Action	Who?	When?
1	Welcome from the Vice-Chair	All MO representatives welcomed.		
2	Apologies for absence	DONNIE MACDONALD (DMD), SHCC; BRYAN MACDERMID (BM), SCC; MAIRI MACIVER (MM), CLD; TANIA MACLEOD (TM), HVS; KATHLEEN DUCE (KD), RO; PAUL A. FINNEGAN (CIr)		
3	Previous Minutes 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Proposed GN, Seconded AM. Item 6: not actioned by AJM, agreed that costs will be provided for employer duties before the application for new funding goes out. Item 7: Constitution, Strategy, and Meeting Minutes should be published on the website. Successfully published. Needs to be continuously updated.		
4	Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Transport Group: Update would be required in the next meeting</li> <li>- The Calmac community consultation was tabled. No knowledge about the consultation of any of the members.</li> </ul>		
5	HFDO Introduction	Eva Kreileder, the new Development Officer of the Harris Forum introduced herself and gave some information about her background.		
6	HFDO Update	<p>A written HFDO report was tabled. An overview about the first actions of the HFDO was given. The next steps have been presented and discussed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A) Workshop with the Harris Forum to define goals and focus areas of the Harris Forum</li> <li>B) Community sessions in relation to the defined goals and focus areas.</li> <li>C) Dè tha dol? Column to introduce each individual member of the Forum to the public.</li> <li>D) Maintaining new events calendar</li> <li>E) Welcome pack for newcomers</li> <li>F) Overall Masterplan, map accompanying the Harris Plan</li> <li>G) More defined overall local development plan, land use plan in liaison with the Council</li> </ul> <p>In relation to point G) the Local Place Plan was mentioned by KML. KML will send the information to the HFDO</p>	KML	End of September
7	Member Organisation Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- SCA received planning approval for Heritage Hall project Planning application awaiting approval (Harris Plan #69)</li> <li>- HDL will have its own Development Officer for Scalpay School project. (Harris Plan #91)</li> </ul>		
8	HFDO Time requests	<p>The time requested by each member is now represented in the latest Harris Plan.</p> <p>Colour code:  Yellow: Projects already assigned to the HFDO  Orange: Projects which requested time of the HFDO  Green: Projects with its own Development Officer (DO)</p> <p>It was discussed that the groups without a paid Development Officer should have priority in relation to the HFDO's time.</p> <p>It was agreed that each member who wants to request time of the HFDO needs to fill in an application form to define the project, its goal, the timeframe and the proposed outcome. Application form template will be provided by the HFDO.</p>	EK Forum	Week com. 23.09 04.11.2024

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		Based on the Application forms, at the next Harris Forum Meeting the time of the HFDO will be designated to the projects. 1 out of 4 days of the HFDO's time will be reserved for admin tasks.		
9	Councillor Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The road in Northton will be tarmacked.</li> <li>- The Community groups receive a discount of 50% for planning applications through the Community Councils.</li> <li>- The small grants fund will go alive on the 03.09.2024</li> <li>- CLLD funding: new funding round opened</li> </ul>		
10	Transport Update	/		
11	AOCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Harris Plan #105: GN offered to support the Leverburgh Village Hall Committee based on their own experience. HFDO will forward the contact information of GN to Morris Macleod.</li> <li>- Harris Transport Group has been discussed. For a better understanding of their purpose, their goals and their constitution DMD will be asked to explain the group to the Forum.</li> <li>- Development Officer meeting feedback was requested by AM, EK reported that the understanding of the group differentiate for each Development Officer. GN mentioned, that all the Development Officers should work together to secure funding. This would require a prioritising of the different projects by the Harris Forum and one main "expert" in funding with all the connections to the funding groups.</li> </ul>	EK GN DMD	03.09.'24 (done) Ongoing 04.11.2024
12	DONM	Next Business Meeting 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2024, 7:30pm, North Harris Trust meeting room.		