

ABBREVIATED MINUTES

WHO: Minginish Community Hall Association

WHERE: Minginish Community Hall

SUBJECT: Board meeting

DATE: 04.07.2022

PRESENT:

Directors - Graham Campbell (GC), Julie Burnett (JB), Rod Mills (RM) by VC link, Steve Bailey (SB), Eilidh MacLean (EM).

In attendance – Project Officer - Dawn Campbell (DC)

APOLOGIES: Mags Bain (MB) and Ali MacKenzie (AM)

COMMUNITY HOUSING:

The community housing project is ongoing.

The feasibility study brief has been issued to 4 consultancy firms with experience in community housing projects and community land transfer. Submissions are to be returned to MCHA by 3 August 2022.

School leaver's support fund

The Board discussed and unanimously agreed to MCHA offering sponsorship/support to Minginish school leavers — to help with the high cost of entering the workforce (in terms of training and uniforms/specialist safety equipment etc) or for college/university leavers (laptops, rent etc), particularly considering the cost-of-living crisis.

The Board agreed that a sum of <u>up to a maximum of</u> £1,000 would be appropriate, given the high price of tech and living costs.

Cost of living support

The Board discussed and unanimously agreed to investigate and develop the following scheme to help to support Minginish residents with rising costs -



Using income raised for the community at the Fairy Pools Car Park, MCHA will financially support a 10% discount for Minginish residents on groceries and domestic fuel at the Carbost Community Shop.

Alcohol, tobacco, magazines and newspapers will be ineligible for the discount.

It is hoped that this initiative can be in place by the beginning of October 2022 (in time for the next proposed fuel price cap increase), and run, initially, through to the end of December 2022.