**Acharacle Community Company**

**Minutes of meeting**

9th April **2020**

**Those present**: Marie-Luise MacDonald(MLM)(chair)/ David John Cameron (DJC) / Fiona Cameron (FC) / David Kirkham (DK) & Lesley MacMaster (LM) /Angela Williams (AW)/ Becky Dacre (BD)(mins)

Note: Meeting by Skype

1. No apologies

2. Supporting Communities Fund. HIE have been in touch and have asked if we are doing a stand-alone application or are we going to join with Sunart Community Company. It can include extra staff time needed for Covid-19 activities and extra hardware needed e.g.laptops.

AW is to contact James Hilder in Strontian to ask if they want to join us. LM to chat to Lara Van de Peer as she is working on the bid.

Contact has changed from Alaistar Nicholson to Henrik Micski. He attached a form to be filled in for this application on his email of 9th April.

3. Fish & Chips is still continuing on a Friday evening and was busy (30) last Friday. Volunteers are delivering to vulnerable or those without transport (LM)

4. Bank -balances include?

LM to drop off bank stuff for BD in office.

LM has some queries on the bank statement. BD to look at to see if can resolve.

Fairly large electric bill for centre (£2095) received.

5. AOB

A Query for DK from LM – LM could not find an application form for free broadband that DK mentioned at last week’s meeting. DK to look again

B Requests for help – no more received.

Andrew Maclean is thinking of doing a curry night / asked LM about price to be charged. Thought best for him to decide as it’s his business.

C BD asked if she should send out monthly bills to Café Tioram. Directors said to hold off for now. MLM will speak to the tenants on Monday, but our grant is unknown as yet so ACC don’t know about funding. DJC worked out that basic charges for the half of the building would be remove? a month.

D BD asked about whether we should continue with stage 2 application form. Agreed to carry on and also to contact Highland Council to see if their asset transfer meeting is still scheduled for 30th April. BD to contact Ewen MacKintosh. LM said she would try to get more letters of support. Need to be forwarded to the Highland Council.

E Query about length of lease left for Na’vi was raised at last week’s meeting. BD confirmed that there is 18 months left. remove?

F DJK has not managed to get hold of Blair Allen (LHA) to ask about ownership of car park at the centre. We need something in writing to show that ACC can have continuing use of the car park following the asset transfer of the centre. MLM to ask him.

G BD asked whether to go ahead with installing the defibrillator in the phone box. We cannot hold a work party to refurbish the box due to the virus crisis, but it was agreed to ask Iain Houston if he could manage to do the work himself if agreeable. BD to contact Eenie to ask him for contact at SSE re-connection of phone box electricity supply.

H AW has agreed to be co-opted as a new director. She will try to help out and see over the coming months if she has enough time to put to the job as she only wants to do the job if she is able to make a useful contribution.

**Meeting closed: 8.20pm**

**NEXT MEETING – to be in one week’s time and by Skype 16.4.20**