

**Uig Harbour Redevelopment  
COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP**

Minutes taken on [Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 18:30](#)

| 1 | <b>Present</b>  | <b>Actions</b> |
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|   | Michelle Hinch (RJM), Duncan MacDonald (RJM), John MacLeod (RJM), Emily Currie (RJM), Jamie Fraser (RJM), Michael Osborne (RJM), Garry Smith (THC), Iain MacLennan (THC), Andrew Maciver (THC), Caroline Connell (TS), Vicki MacLean (Local), Callum Munro (CLLR), Donald Beaton (Calmac), Margaret Freestone (Local), Irene Ross (Local) ,Martin Madigan (Local),  |                |
| 2 | <b>Apologies</b>  |                |
|   | Sandy MacLean (Local), Angus Ross (Local), Ian Stewart, Cllr Millar, Cllr Finlayson.  |                |
| 3 | <b>Approval of Previous Minutes</b>   |                |
|   | Cllr Munro- For previous minutes I would like to add apologies for Cllr Finlayson.<br><br>Approved by – Martin Madigan<br>Seconded by-Margret Freestone   |                |
| 4 | <b>Matters Arising</b>  |                |
|   | To be covered in AOCB   |                |
| 5 | <b>Presentation &amp; Open Forum</b>  |                |
|   | <p>JM (RJM)- Thanks to all for attending tonight and I am going to run through the slide show showing construction progress since September.</p> <p>MM -The lampposts you are talking about why are they so large?</p> <p>JM – That’s a council design.<br/>They have assured us that it is not going to be as bad as what you think when they are on.</p> <p>JM- Returns to the slideshow.</p> <p>JM- Any Questions? We have some videos if you would like to see them first?</p> <p>Cllr Munro – Videos first please.</p> <p>DMD- Runs through the videos</p> <p>Cllr Munro -What’s the ship beside the barge?</p> <p>DMD-That’s the Scott Navigator (Coaster) the vessel went over to Poland and was loaded up with the new linkspan in Gdansk and sailed here in under 5 days.<br/>She came in at 8am on Thursday and the vessel was off loaded by 10pm.</p> <p>MM- Is it the same size as the old one?</p> <p>DMD-Not too far off it in length (shows on video where the vessel came in)</p> <p>MM-When it was attached to the pier it looked small.</p> |                |

DMD- Returns to the videos

Cllr Munro – What will happen to the steel bridge?

DMD-Shows on the video where the temporary steel bridge was and confirms that it was put in as a temporary measure until the new links span was installed.

Cllr Munro- Has anyone any questions for John/Duncan?

MM- The lighting down the Pier does it have to be on all the time at night?

JM- For the fishermen yes it does.

MM- As bright as what it is?

JM- We are responsible for safe access for the fishermen.  
Does it glare into anyone's house?

MF- It goes straight into my house, and it is floodlit all night.  
And I am worried about what happens when all these new lights are attached. Is there any kind of plan for them to go off at certain times?  
Are they going to be on a timer, or will they be on a timer?

JM- Our temporary site lights are a bit different to the Council's permanent street lighting.

GS- The temporary lighting is different they are projected lights as they are working at night, so they have a higher illumination for working.

MF- I did ask people what was going on.

MF-The fishermen never used to have that many lights

JM-As the fishermen are on our site at the moment, we have to provide adequate lighting because if there is an accident then we are responsible, so we have to make sure it is well lit.

MF- Are they only temporary while the works are going on?

JM- Yes

DMD-In terms of lighting there isn't much change to what was there originally.

GS-The lighting is designed to light the area that needs to be lit.  
Generally, the light is directed downwards and not outwards. We are creating a larger area so there will be a larger lit area as part of the permanent works.

MM- So when the ferry comes in the lights will be on and when it is not coming in it will be switched off?

GS- My understanding is that it will be on through the hours of darkness like all of the lighting systems for THC are through the hours of darkness.

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|  | <p>IR- Angus was concerned that the higher you go with the lighting the more power would be needed to for the light to hit the ground. Do they need to be that high?</p> <p>GS-AECOM have designed it and it has been checked by our internal lighting engineer and the columns are set to provide the levels of illumination for the area that we are operating in for the Ferry services. To provide the required levels of lighting that we need.</p> <p>CIlr Munro -Are we looking at a bigger lighting area in the marshalling area than before?</p> <p>GS-It is probably double or more.</p> <p>MM-Has the council got a machine to access the lights. Because the one that comes now can just about managed to get around.</p> <p>GS-That was considered in the design, and it was actually meant to be higher.</p> <p>CIlr Munro- Is there any more questions?</p> <p>GS- in terms of lighting heads will they on in the new year sometime?</p> <p>JM-Yes, we are just waiting for some equipment to come. We are aiming to have the lights on before Christmas if not then after it.</p> <p>MF-Regarding the ramp on the road to my driveway when will that be fixed?</p> <p>JM- That will be done in March/April. We will continue to keep it filled up until the end of it.</p> |  |
| <p><b>6. AOCB</b></p>                  |  |  |
|  | <p>Ian Stewart-(included in IS's email sending his apologies for the meeting)</p> <p>From my perspective you can record that while issues have occurred from time to time, these have been dealt with effectively through our weekly meetings with Highland Council and RJM. CIlr Drew Millar- (included in DM's email sending his apologies for the meeting)</p> <p>Can you pass on my apologies with my congratulations on the work so far following my visit with the team last week. Very impressed with the efficiency of the works and the layout.</p>   |  |
| <p><b>7. Date of Next Meetings</b></p> |  |  |
|  | <p><b>25<sup>th</sup> January 2024</b><br/> <b>21<sup>st</sup> March 2024</b></p>  |  |