

DRAFT MINUTES OF MEETING
DUNVEGAN PRIMARY STAKEHOLDER MEETING - 17
16 Nov 2023 at 3.45pm Via Microsoft Teams

Attendees:	<p><u>Parent Council Representatives</u> Anna Campbell</p> <p><u>Highland Councillor</u> John Finlayson Drew Millar</p> <p><u>Community Representatives</u> Mali MacLennan – Dunvegan Trust</p> <p><u>Highland Council Officials</u> Pamela Burns, Corporate Communications Robert Campbell, Estate Strategy Manager Dorothy Gibb, Principal Estates Officer Mhairi MacDonald, Area Education Manager Jenny MacRae, Estates Co-Ordinator Alan Paul, Estates Officer</p> <p><u>External Officials</u> Neil Clapperton. LSHA</p>	<p>AC</p> <p>JF DM</p> <p>MMacL</p> <p>PB RC DG MMD JMR AP</p> <p>NC</p>
Apologies:	<p>Ian Hall, Dualchas Kenna MacInnes, Football Club Calum Munro, Councillor Ruaridh Stewart, Councillor James Swinnerton, LSHA</p>	

1.	Welcome & Apologies	Action
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies as above. 	
2.	Highland Council Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No schools in Highland area were successful in the recent LEIP 3 funding announcement. • Dunvegan Primary School is not included in the Capital Program agreed in September but is not off the program- just not happening as early as envisaged. • Need to progress certain aspects of the Masterplan which in turn will support any new school build. • Capital Program did allow funding for delivering the road enabling works and this will allow LSHA to progress with the housing development. • New access road will be jointly funded by THC and LSHA with works scheduled to start in April 2024. Carefully manage the program of works so as not to impact on the day to day running of the school. Long term goal is still to deliver a new school for Dunvegan. • RC – will arrange a separate meeting with the Head Teacher and Parent Council to discuss a maintenance schedule and prioritise works required in the school. • Continued discussions with LSHA and Dualchas and progressing the land swaps with Legal Team. • DG – Decrofting has been concluded and Resumption is progressing. Once everything completed, enabling works can progress and LSHA can move forward with house build. • JF – What is the current feeling in the market on civil engineering/building costs? • RC- Inflation is levelling off and the biggest problem we have is availability of contractors. Tenders go out for works and few prices are returned. Those that are, can be quite extreme. • JF – We have contractors on the island working on projects – Uig Pier, Storr Carpark etc... RJ MacLeod and there are local contractors who could possibly be interested in the enabling works. Contact should be made with them to gauge interest. Who should be approaching them to ask? • RC – Dualchas/LSHA as they are leading on the project. • DM – New link road due to go ahead in Portree next year. Not sure if contract has been awarded but same contractor could be used? • RC – Will check with Roads Team on this. • JF – Suggest contacting Gordon MacDonald in Roads Dept. 	
3.	LSHA Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enabling work – need to work out splitting the costs. • The house building is part of our program of works and keen to progress this. • Must be value for money for the Scottish Government and we require contractors to tender so project can be delivered. • Dunvegan project is of a reasonable scale and hopeful to get reasonable tendering returns. • Has the resumption order been resolved? 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DG – Yes. Progressing again and don't envisage any problem. LSHA need ownership of the ground before accessing Scottish Government funding. 	
4.	Community Update	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local community disappointed at the LEIP 3 announcement • Housing progressing would be a positive and important outcome. • Little enthusiasm in the community for progressing the pitch at this stage. 	
5.	Future Engagement/Meetings	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up meetings with Head Teacher and Parent Council to discuss future works at Dunvegan. • DG – Don't see the need for the Stakeholder Group at present. Would be of benefit if LSHA had regular meetings with the community. • NC – Community meetings are held and briefings from THC could be shared at this point or staff could attend meetings. • DG- Suggest this is the last formal Stakeholder Meeting for the foreseeable future. Going forward, LSHA will lead meetings and THC will feed into them. • JF – Keep the circulation list updated in case adhoc meetings are required. It is important to keep the community apprised of what is happening. • DG – Happy to attend Parent Council meetings and can provide email updates when required. 	
6.	AOCB	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Add Neil Clapperton to circulation list. • MMacL – what is the capacity of Dunvegan Pr – is there sufficient space? • RC – we do annual school roll forecasting and monitor school rolls. Looking at Dunvegan, there is enough space for classes. It's more the ancillary space that is lacking – gym hall, ASN room etc. • NC – would the new housing have an impact on the school capacity? • RC – monitor the numbers closely and if additional space required, would work this out. • AC – Repairs for the school is from the same budget as the enabling works. What happens if the enabling works come in over budget and there is nothing left for the school? School is freezing and they need a new heating system. • RC – won't be till Spring next year before costs are finalised for the enabling works. Need to prioritise the works required in the school and balance out these works over the next five years. • AC – Parent Council have a list of works needing attention. Will these not be looked at till after the enabling works are done? • RC – will meet with the Head Teacher and Parent Council to discuss further. Larger works are normally progressed during the summer holidays. • DG – Any ongoing maintenance should be addressed in the normal wa. • JF – Thanked everyone in the group for their contributions to date. 	