

(9ii) **Mr A Baxter**

**To the Leader of the Council**

**What discussions have you had with Government Ministers and Officials as to how the revenue allocated to the Highland Council from the Scottish Crown Estates is to be used to bring benefit to our coastal communities and when will the Council publish the plan for the allocation of funds and what criteria will it be based on?"**

Recent discussions have been by letter from Cabinet Secretary Roseanna Cunningham. The letters have helped secure the additional 18/19 allocation of Crown Estate funds. That was £1.7 Million and the total funds available is just under £3M. A subsequent letter outlined additional flexibility in how we use the funds, in support of business in our coastal communities.