

BID4OBAN Ltd MEETING OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday 15th October 2019
6.15 – 8.15 PM. Oban New Harbour Building North Pier
Minutes of Meeting

Item		Lead
Chair: Tony Cave		
	Present: N Archibald, R McCuish, A Spence, J Forbes Apologies: G MacKinnon, F Murray, I Clunie Minutes: K McDonald	
11019	Declarations of Interest - None	
21019	Minutes of previous meeting: 17th September	ALL
31019	Matters arising: Oban Live 2021, 3 year run needs Oban Live to give guarantees.	All
41019	Finance Report: September Best year for levy collection Expenditure, invoices paid this month, Black Lynn and floral arrangements. Will break even or have a slight lose. No tax liability, spending levy money and we are transparent. Some invoices still to go out for Hebridean Princess and Majestic Line. Would be good to note debts from previous years that have been paid.	All
51019	Chief Executive Update to 15th October: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No follow-up on A-Frames until signage in place • Attended community council meeting reference parking and advised Fergus of proposals. Suggestion that workers can park in High School as it has lots of space, not followed up. Proposals from Community Council are needed. • Parking TRO follow-up following Mull, due diligence was not done on last TRO for Oban. Although council made aware of problems, no solutions are forthcoming. Would be interesting to measure parking revenue for this year compared to past years • Oban Uni Town. Looking to set up Nautical college at Dunstaffinage. Funding may come in from Rural Deal but majority of funding is already in place. • Heritage conference held in Corran Halls. Most positive presentation was Ann Murray-Fraser from Oban Walking Tours. Promoting group bringing all guides together through Argyll. POOCG profit from tours £1600. Cruise operators approaching POOCG for tours. POOCG will have to set up commercially next year. • Open university meeting • Port of Oban cruise group 	AS
61019	Town Centre Fund Progress: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £44000 awarded. Progressing with quotes for signage and notice boards. An information meeting will take place in November. Karen McCorquodale handle advertising, income needed to cover costs only. To charge fees would make us liable for rates on notice board, around £300. 	AS

71019	Black Lyn Event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lights switch in Tuesday 22nd October 7.30pm Oban FM attending – new trailer and PA system which BID contributed to. Pies and soup – Iain Darling and Lorne Bar providing and proceeds going to The Dove Centre Press coverage 	AS
81019	Fireworks 5th November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> £6000 funding from Scottish Sea Farms Starts at 7pm for display at 7.30 Recreating the OBANG – Roddy will recreate Oban FM Charities will have stalls 	AS
91019	Reindeer Parade 23rd November: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans in place Exclusivity of Station Square Sheldon Stewart Dougie Dan Argyll Hog Roasts Charities Reindeer visiting old folks home paid by BID Oban Times going to visit reindeer and will do positive press. Move to last weekend next year to keep people shopping in town on last pay day before Christmas 	AS
101019	Fireworks 31st December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plans in place Road Closure applied for Different events in town for Hogmanay, lots of people in Stafford Street for display last year. 	AS
111019	Year of Coasts and Waters 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with OLTA Still awaiting programme of events Royal Society of Edinburgh bringing events to Oban, NLB emptying warehouse to house event. 	AS
121019	Storm Event 2020: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project for next year – launch at Celtic Connections, 10 locations in Scotland, Oban one of them Big man walking – Storm 10m tall puppet. Early stages – spoken to SAMS, schools, Rockfield, etc. £5000 to bring to town, event sponsored by Manitou Music events to replace Oban Live next year, lots of small events Gin weekend next year locally organised. Andy declared an interest as family member works for gin company. 	AS
131019	Rural Deal information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Argyll and Bute £50M Spending plan for Oban, £50 million just a start, plans need to be really clear. Can't be spent on services infrastructure to grow economy, government led projects. Kirsteen MacDonald will be running much of it. 	AS & FM
141019	Additional Directors – Andy will pursue	All
151019	Change of Date November Meeting:	All

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Need to change date because of Scotland's Towns Conference • New date moved to Monday 18th venue to be confirmed • Andy staying in Aberdeen to speak at conference. 	
	<p>AOB:</p> <p>Business Improvement Grant Hannah's - approved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Squash Club £2500 bringing event to Oban as qualifier for national competitions. Badminton event brought 50 bed nights to town, squash would bring more, economic impact £1800. Good for publicity, exclusivity and banners. • Christmas lights. Grant from A&B £8000. Identify funding for next year to put lights along to war memorial. Lights could be hired each year. • New company to hang baskets next year. Plans to be in place for end of November • No grant application for Oban Bricks • LoveOban letters, no further forward but site identified. Speak to Robert MacKenzie. • Harbour Authority, Andy working with group to set up a municipal port with council involvement 	
	<p>Enclosure (s)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Minutes September Board Meeting • September Finance plus commentary 	