

Morvern Resilience Meeting agenda 30th June 7pm

Present: Peggie Sampson, Amanda Markham, Jeremy Asquith, Lesley Jones, Sarah Jones, Linda Martin, Annie Tordoff, Kenny McLaughlin, Jane Stuart Smith, Alasdair Firth, Angus Robertson, Susan Taylor

1. Welcoming tourists to Morvern - all present received the West Highland Peninsulas charter and Association of Scottish Self-Catering Guidance in the light of COVID prior to the meeting with a view to finalising a Morvern charter for both providers of holiday accommodation and the community. Discussion was held about difficulty in cleaning soft furnishings, arrival/departure times of guests, back to back changeovers and what to do if someone became symptomatic of the virus. It was also noted how hard the community had worked over the last few months and continue to be united in keeping each other safe. It was agreed to 'soften' the language of the charter for Morvern, sign up to the ASSC standards and direct people to the Morvern. Org website for medical information. Testing was discussed and it was agreed that it would make sense for visitors who became ill to travel home early for local testing and care (where possible). Action AR & AT to finalise charter and send out to everyone. Small bottles of sanitiser will be made available for visitors if necessary to ensure ongoing strict hand hygiene for ALL remote gates, bothies etc.
2. Community Support helpline - KM to write to all volunteers thanking for their support up until now and from now on when it may be needed more. Additional sanitisers to be placed at the playground and in Drimnin.
3. Hardship fund - the resilience group have discussed this over 2 weeks with the various other Highland communities, MCT and Craig Sellar Trust, the latter whose purpose is to support hardship, particularly of the medical kind. It was noted that those awaiting universal credit are likely to be most at risk. It was discussed and decided that at this time there are a number of statutory schemes currently available and the Lochaber foodbank set up for COVID. Therefore the council's resilience monies would not be used for this purpose.
4. Morvern Medical Practice - 2 sheets of information for visitors have been produced and will be upload to Morvern. Org
5. It was agreed that there will be no resilience group meeting on July 7th as MCC is next Monday July 6th