

Comann nam Pàrant (Nàiseanta) (CnP(N))

Geàrr-chunntas na Coinneimh / *Minute of meeting*

Disathairne 26 Samhain aig 10m
Premier Inn, George Square, Glasgow

An làthair / *Present*

Bob McGowan (BM)	Chair
Marsaili Dow (MD)	Ionmhasair
Magaidh Wentworth (MW)	Oifigear Phàrant
Diorbhail Wentworth (DW)	Oifigear Leasachaidh
Gill Steele (GS)	Obar Pheallaidh
Iona MacTaggart (IM)	Na-h-Eileanan Iar
Kerry Jardine (KJ)	Comann Nam Pàrant Obar Dheathain
Claire Wilding (CW)	Comann Nam Pàrant an t-Òban
Laura Macdonald (LM)	Comann Nam Pàrant an t-Òban

1. Leisgeulan / *Apologies*

Fiona Heatlie	Glaschu
Helen Mackinnon	Glaschu
Fiona Stephen	Dùn Èideann agus Lodainn
Chrissie Valluri	Peairt
Sorcha O' Carrol	Inbhir Narann
Becky Davidson	Inbhir Narann
Kathleen NicLeòid	Na-h-Eileanan Iar
Eleanor Wood	Oifigear Leasachaidh

2. Geàrr-chunntas na coinneimh 10 Sultain 2016

Minute of meeting 10th September 2016

The minute of the meeting was approved.

Proposed: MD

Seconded: GS

3. Gnothaichean ag èirigh nach eil air a' chlàr-chùisean

Matters arising not on agenda

3.1. Shona NicIlinnein and Mona Wilson (BNG) had been invited to attend this meeting, both were unable to attend on this occasion however Shona has indicated that she will be happy to meet at a later date and Mona will hopefully be a regular attendant at CnP(N).

3.2. CNP postponing writing to BNG regarding Meriel report until meeting after meeting with BnaG

3.3. The draft National Gaelic language plan was not launched at the Mòd as originally planned but is due to be launched soon

4. Achd an Fhoghlaim agus an Stiùireadh Nàiseanta

Education Act and the National Guidance

- 4.1. 242 responses were submitted to the consultation and these are being collated by Scottish Government (SG) and BnaG
- 4.2. BM and MW met with Bruce Robertson and SG along with reps from NPFS to discuss respective roles under the Act. A training day for both parental organisations on how to manage their respective roles under the act is planned for Friday January 27th.
- 4.3. MW noted vacancy in Argyll and Bute for NPFS representative

5. **Co-chomhairle air na tràth irean**

Expansion in Early Learning & Childcare - Consultation

- 5.1. Consultation deadline 7th January so responses to MW by Christmas
- 5.2. Agreed that as well as a Gaelic childcare course, priority should be a module on the pedagogy of immersion language learning as part of early years' courses currently available
- 5.3. Issues for GME early years raised as time and travel problems. MD suggested travelling GME staff and that emphasis should be on quality and immersion not 'Gaelic box ticking' activities.
- 5.4. LM suggested work based training programmes

Action – MW to circulate draft response to the committee

6. **Maoineachadh Tràth Bhliadhnaichean**

Early Years Funding

- 6.1. 3rd payment received, yet to pay to BNG as awaiting invoice. Funding to continue for 2 more years. Members thanked MD for managing this funding.

7. **Prògram obrach làitheil agus cuisean ag èirigh**

Current Programme of work and current issues

- 7.1. DW and EW both part time (work divided by area) until end of March with MW sending monthly reports to Mona Wilson
- 7.2. Due to an underspend in budget for the first year of this project BNG have paid £13k of the 25k awarded at this time
- 7.3. DW provided update on East Ren. and Glasgow

8. **Cuairt-litir/website**

- 8.1. Any submissions for next newsletter are due by January
- 8.2. Website in need of updating and this is in hand
- 8.3. New banners for promo events have been ordered

9. **Aithisg Ionmhasair**

Treasurers Report

- 9.1. MD provide an update on accounts and all is in order.

10. **GISBE/AOCB**

- 10.1. GS raised question of extra funding to deal with extra workload for CnP in relation to the Education Act

Action – to be raised by committee with BnG

- 10.2. BM – NMS has second GLP however consultation only on the first draft

Action – CNP to write requesting consultation on second draft given it is a statutory requirement

- 10.3. MW requested input from members in order to respond to the Governance review
- 10.4. MD – short letter to Chief Exec East Ayrshire council to celebrate 20 years of GME

- 10.5. CW suggested new leaflets with information for parents on their rights under the Act
- 10.6. CW updated members on current challenges in Oban regarding teacher supply and the campaign for a standalone school
- 10.7. KJ update on Aberdeen, Croileagan at capacity, still looking for teachers. E-sgoil in place of high school teacher. Feis and potential for Mòd along with 2 week event to celebrate Gaelic in Gilcomstoun
- 10.8. GS – Aberfeldy update, John Swinney visited for 5 year anniversary. GME classes will need second teacher and assistant. 'Horo-Gheallaidh' event is planned for East of Scotland CnP groups
- 10.9. IN – update on Thig a Chluich, bookbug songs now on CnP website
- 10.10. CW – Oban in need of support for ASN particularly in older year

Action: MW to check Education Scotland advice for GME and ASN in older year groups