

Consultation Survey Summary Report – April 2022

The purpose of the survey was to obtain information about all the groups/organisations currently active in the Point area and to create a central database that will contain this information. The information will also assist in the formulation of the proposed Point area development plan.

The following report details the findings from all groups that responded to the survey.

ORGANISATIONS

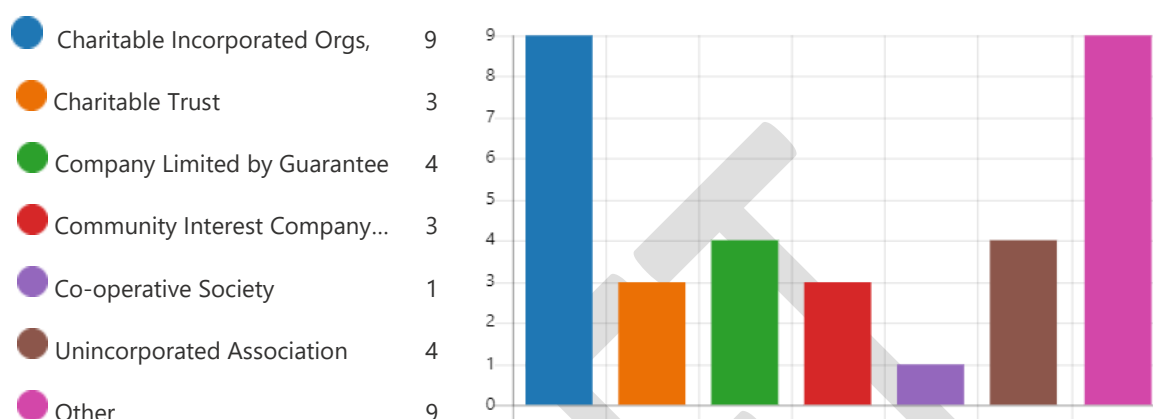
The survey was sent to **47 community groups/organisations** in the Point area and approximately **70% responded**, as indicated in the table below.

An outline of the survey can be accessed at [Appendix 1](#).

RESPONSE	NO RESPONSE
Point Community Council	Garrabost Church of Scotland
Comann Eachdraidh an Rubha	Garrabost Free Church of Scotland
An Rudhach Community Newspaper	Sgoil an Rubha
Urras Eaglais Na h-Aoidhe	ABC Club Point
Point Agricultural Society	Point2Life
Buth an Rubha/Café Roo	Portnaguran Amenities
Tiumpánhead Community Association	Point War Memorial
Point Youth Club and Youth Café	Sheshader Grazings Committee
Bayble Boat Owners	Aird Grazings Committee
Point Sport and Recreation Committee	Portvoller Grazings Committee
Point Football Club	Lower Bayble Grazings Committee
Garrabost Mill Trust - Garrabost Gníomhach	Aignish Grazings Committee
Sheshader Amenities Association/Sheshader Marketplace	Garrabost Grazings Committee
Portnaguran, Newlands, Broker Grazings Committee	Joanne Fotheringham Memorial Garden
Point Parent and Toddler Group	
Feis An Rubha	
Cnoc Dubh Residents' Association	
Roots for Low Impact Living CIC	
Comunn na Gàidhlig	
Taigh Cèilidh an Rubha (Run under the auspices of Fèis an Rubha)	
Urras Stòras an Rubha	
Càirdean Og Allt nan Gall	
Tiumpánhead Young at Heart	
Knock and Swordale Community Company	
1 st Point Scout Group (Cubs and Beavers)	
Upper Bayble Community Trust CIC	
Upper Bayble Common Grazings	
Shulishader Grazings Committee	
Eye Cemetery Committee (Aignish Cemetery)	
Knock and Swordale Grazings Committee	
Point and Knock Free Church Continuing	
Point and Sandwick Development Trust (responded via email)	
Point and Sandwick Coastal Community Path	

LEGAL STATUS OF ORGANISATIONS

The following chart demonstrates the legal structure of the respondent organisations demonstrating a variety of group structures. The highest indicated that 28% identified as **Charitable Incorporated Organisations** and 28% as **Other**.



MAIN ACTIVITIES

The groups are involved in a wide range of community activities as summarized below. A more detailed account can be accessed at [Appendix 2](#).

- **Féis an Rubha** is a week-long summer school for children aged 3-13.
- The main activities of **Taigh Cèilidh an Rubha** were a monthly get-together. The activities were all in Gaelic, but open to learners as well.
- **Portnaguran, Broker, Newlands Common Grazing** maintain the upkeep of the common grazings in these areas.
- **Buth an Rubha / Cafe Roo** provides a retail service for the community.
- **Point Football Club and Point Sport and Recreation Association** - Point FC runs football teams at all age levels up to Senior. PSRA provides all the accommodation and recreation facilities at the Ionad and maintains the site around the Point football pitch.
- **An Rudhach Community Newspaper** operates to serve as a news and information outlet for the Point area and also to keep Rudhachs living outwith Point abreast of what's going on at "home".
- The work of **Comunn na Gaidhlig** in the area is currently mainly focused on young people. Through our work we hope to encourage young people to use the language, so that they are willing to use the language more often. All activities are through the medium of Gaelic. Activities that are currently running are an After School Club, Lunchtime clubs in Sgoil an Rubha and a Sradagan Club which is held in Ionad Stoodie.
- Maintenance of the **Upper Bayble Grazings**.
- **Roots for Low Impact Living C.I.C** main activities are: provision of local facilities, preservation and development of local heritage, enabling of resource sharing, support of reduced waste practices, and fostering of local craft production.
- **Garrabost Mill Trust (Garrabost Gniomhach)** aims to promote the crofting and industrial history of the Garrabost area. Many Point residents have affectionate memories of taking home grown barley to the Mill and having it ground into barley meal; or hearing stories about the Mill from parents or grandparents.

- **Cnoc Dubh Residents Association** maintain the Play Park on the Cnoc Dubh and possibly other works in the area.
- **Comann Eachdraidh An Rubha** seeks to promote an interest in the history of the area corresponding to the Sgìre an Rubha electoral division; to collect, identify and preserve documents, artefacts, photographs and other material of historical value within the area for the benefit of the community.
- **Point Parent and Toddler Group** is for parents and carers of children from birth-school age, and the children. The group meets once a week in Garrabost Free Church Hall and is basically a social gathering, giving an opportunity for parents to meet and for the children to play together.
- **Tiumpthead Community Association** are a committee of volunteers who work together to keep the Tiumpthead community centre open and available to the public. We hire the centre to various organisations on a regular basis. We also run a monthly cafe to help raise funds for the upkeep of the centre and surrounding grounds.
- The main activity of **Point Agricultural Society** is to organise and host an annual agricultural show and we have members from all parts of Point.
- The main activity of **Urras Eaglais na h-Aoidhe** is to safeguard, enhance and promote Eaglais na h-Aoidhe and its historic graveyard, thereby protecting and preserving an important example of the historical and architectural heritage of the Western Isles for the local community and visitors. Also, to enhance the physical and intellectual access to the general public through the provision of good paths and bi-lingual interpretation.
- The **Bayble Boat Owners and Pier Users Association** provides a public amenity for the residents in the area of Bayble, Point, on matters concerning the social and community life of the area and especially in regards to the environment and moorings at Bayble Basin. More specifically, as an amenity, the association provides mooring facilities for commercial static gear and leisure boats throughout the year.
- The main activity of **Point Community Council** is to assist the community of Point irrespective of age, race, and gender, in pursuing projects that will benefit the whole of the Point area.
- The main task of **Urras Stòras an Rubha** is the development and management of the former Knock School as a community hub with facilities for retail, offices, community organisations and general community support.
- **Sheshader Amenities Association** provide village amenities for the social and practical benefit of residents and visitors.
- **Point Youth Club And Youth Café** provide a regular youth club and youth cafe and activities, training and volunteer opportunities for young people in the area.
- **Knock and Swordale Community Company** are planning to build a wind turbine on the common grazing belonging to the two villages, on the moor at Beinn Thulabaigh near the Pentland Road junction just west of Marybank.
- **Cairdean Og Allt nan Gall** seek to promote the wellbeing of people aged 60 years and over in and particularly those in need by reason of age, ill health, disability, financial hardship or other disadvantage, through provision of recreational and social activities.
- The **1st Point Scout Group (Cubs and Beavers)** provides a weekly meeting with a varied programme developing skills for life.
- **Tiumpnan Young at Heart** meets fortnightly with the older residents of the community and engage in various activities and coach trips to Island and mainland locations from time to time as well as host buffet and entertainment evenings in the local community centre.
- The main activity of the **Upper Bayble Community Trust CIC** is the wind farm.
- **Shulishader Common Grazings** main activity is to represent the crofting interests of our 28 shareholders.

- The **Eye Cemetery Committee** arrange funerals.
- The main activities of **Knock and Point Free Church (Continuing)** are Christian worship and associated events.
- The **Knock and Swordale Common Grazing's** manage projects relating to the crofting community.
- **Point and Sandwich Trust (PST)** is a community-owned wind farm that exists as an asset to generate significant revenue for community projects over the 25-year life span of the turbines. The windfarm itself is a wholly owned asset for PST, but the purpose of the charity has a far wider remit than disbursing grants. We have a very strong community development role, and a lot of the projects you list have their genesis or have had cash from us in the last six years. PST funds community groups and organisations in both the Point and Sandwich areas and across the Western Isles.
- The main activity of **Point & Sandwich Coastal Community Path** is to develop a coastal trail around and through the districts of both Point and Sandwich. The trail will ultimately add to and complement the Hebridean Way. link the districts with Stornoway likely to increase economic opportunity through tourism; locals and visitors alike.

KEY PRIORITIES

In summary, the **key priorities** highlighted by the groups are set out below. A more detailed account can be found at [Appendix 2](#) of the Report.

- Recruiting volunteers.
- Maintaining and increasing employment in the area.
- Consolidate and prioritise activities for the Point area.
- Encouraging and facilitating sporting activities for all ages.
- Purchase, refurbish and maintain local historic buildings for locals and tourists, such as *Garrabost Mill* and *Urras Eaglais na h-Aoidhe*.
- Equip space in Aros in Rubha to hold exhibitions and events as well as archive storage
- Facilitating activities for younger and older people to use the Gaelic language more in informal environments – encouraging intergenerational activities.
- Continued development and improvement of the grazings, including access of government funds to enable this, to maintain and develop the viability of the common grazings.
- Supporting and encouraging recycling of clothes and goods, promoting zero waste and environmentally friendly practices.
- Maintaining the play parks.
- Continue to provide a social space for children and parents.
- To maintain Tiumphead Community Centre and keep it open for all residents/groups.
- To deliver the agricultural show each year and to encourage the future of crofting, agriculture and horticulture on the island.
- Improve the infrastructure and facilities at Bayble Pier for both commercial and non-commercial boating activities for all age groups.
- Acquire additional funding for Aros an Rubha, to implement originally shelved works, expand facilities in the hub and work towards a having a green energy hub.
- Secure additional funding for Point Youth Club and Youth Café to renovate outdoor area and employ additional youth workers.

- To get the turbine built and to invest the income from it into development opportunities in the two villages (Knock and Swordale), the wider Point area and in other areas with needs.
- To organise meetings, recreational events, classes, training, talks, lectures and fundraising activities.
- Organise buffet and entertainment evenings in local community centre for older residents.
- The Eye Cemetery committee to arrange funerals.
- Proclamation of the gospel.
- Coastal protection project, new animal handling facility, new housing sites and environmental schemes.
- Funding the completion of all sections of the trail offering access to some 40km or more of route. Promotion of the trail via a variety of media sources. Minimising future maintenance and adopting "green policies" where practical: e.g. recycling/reusing materials in construction, use of recycled, plastic route furniture, hire of electric bikes etc.

The additional question was asked ***'have these priorities changed as a result of the COVID pandemic?'*** and **73% of respondents answered 'no'**, as evidenced in the pie chart below.



RESOURCES REQUIRED

In terms of resources required, a full account of responses can be obtained in [Appendix 2](#) of the Report. In summary, the main resources required as highlighted in the feedback were as follows: -

- **Volunteers**
- **Meeting space**
- **Additional staffing**
- **Upgrades and expansion of facilities**
- **Funding**

The two key areas mentioned in the majority of responses were the need for **volunteers** and **funding**.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

It was ascertained that **97%** of respondents would like to receive regular information on any funding opportunities available.



ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

The following additional comments were included in the completed surveys: -

- We will put out a final call for a committee, to go into next month's Rudhach, but even if we have a good turnout, it will be a close call to get anything organized for this summer.
- As the future of Fèis an Rubha is in the balance, we can no longer rely on using the Fèis as an umbrella organisation for running the Taigh Cèilidh. The idea was that we would pay an organiser, but in reality, it fell to Fèis committee members to organise. For the time that it was running, the Taigh Cèilidh alternated between Ionad Stoodie and Tiumpan Community Centre. However, if it was in the same place each month, and people knew just to turn up, the outlay would only be for tea, coffee and biscuits. The Taigh Cèilidh showed that there is a desire for Gaelic-only activities, especially ones which bring young and old together.
- We have been very fortunate in having a good relationship with Point and Sandwick Trust which has given us annual revenue grants when these were available and its capital grant was crucial in enabling us to replace our old stand with a brand new 100 seater purpose built stand.
- Happy to discuss how the Mill Trust might work with other organisations in the area. There will be future funding needed to assist the best use and repair of the property plus potentially other sites.
- We are registered for VAT and are struggling with the recent requirement for all submissions to be digital. Any help/guidance available?
- This is our website although most activity occurs on our facebook page.. <https://www.oldshopbayble.com/>
- Funding to purchase the Mill seems to have been secured but there will be future funding needed to assist the best use and repair of the property, plus potentially other sites.
- The Derick Thomson tribute is just at the very first stages, and we are not in a position to give much information about plans at this stage.

- The Trustees would be very happy to show you round Eaglais na h-Aoidhe and tell you more about it, maybe when the weather is better.
- It would be extremely helpful if you could advise us in the completion of the application form from CnES.
- Good that such a position has been setup for the benefit of community groups to access.
- Like many of similar organisations, we find it difficult to get younger people (under 50s) involved. Practical help in this would be welcome.
- It would be very useful to find grant funding to help us to build the turbine to reduce loan repayments and leave more income for development projects.
- We provide an annual Christmas Lunch for approx 40 members at a local hotel during December. We have a Coach trip on 29 March 2022 to Ness which will include a tour of Europe, Butt Lighthouse, Fivepenny, Ness Harbour followed by a lunch at the CEN Cafe. We have also arranged a mainland trip to Oban 6 to 9 June 2022. It includes daily lunches and coach trips to the Mull of Kintyre (to see Paul McCartney) and Inveraray. Followed by a trip onto Mull and Iona for a visit to the Abbey and lunch again. OUR DEPARTURE FROM OSCAR - During our connection, never once did they provide any assistance or direction on how to generate funding. We also were committed to lengthy yearly returns which we all, as elderly individuals, found difficult to provide, for absolutely no benefit. Consequently, we returned to our own system, where we still submit on a yearly audit of our finances and checked by a qualified individual (different person each year). I think this is why we have the largest OAP Group in the whole of the Western Isles and keen to continue to increase on its members.
- We'd love some help with getting charitable status so we can claim back gift aid on subscriptions. We used to have a treasurer and it would be great if someone not connected with the leadership team could take this on too, it's not essential but it would help.
- We have 35 members and would appreciate any suggestions for future funding, and any advice of any speakers who would be willing to come and speak to the Club on an interesting subject.
- UBCT will be having a AGM soon - date tbc to re-elect new directors and to move forward with projects following consultation with members.

CONCLUSION

It is evident from the responses received that there is an extensive amount of community activity taking place in the Point area and the groups have indicated a variety of plans and aspirations for the future. It is apparent that the critical issues are the need for more funding and volunteers to fulfill these plans and assist these groups.

The survey was a useful consultation exercise in terms of making initial contact with local groups and obtaining feedback on activities and priorities of these groups, as well as understanding the resources required, and how USAR can assist in the future.

This information will help inform the wider area development plan for Point and it has already enabled USAR to create a central database providing information on all of the various groups operating. In addition to this, it has provided the opportunity to enable information on funding opportunities to be forwarded to the groups on a regular basis.



Urras Stòras an Rubha Consultation

The purpose of the survey is to obtain information about all groups currently active in the Point area and to create a central database that will hold this information. The information will also assist in the formulation of a Point area development plan.

The survey will take approximately 5 minutes to complete.

In completing this form you are agreeing to the terms and conditions of the USAR privacy policy in compliance with its obligations under GDPR. Please contact development@storasandruba.co.uk for a copy, if required.

1. **Name of the Organisation? ***

2. **Who is the main contact? ***

Name, email address and telephone number?

3. What legal structure best describes your organisation? *

☐ Charitable Incorporated Organisation

☐ Charitable Trust

☐ Company Limited by Guarantee

☐ Community Interest Company (CIC)

☐ Co-operative Society

☐ Unincorporated Association

☐ Other

4. What is the demographic and main activities of the organisation? *

5. What are the key priorities for your organisation in the future? *



6. Have these priorities changed as a result of the COVID pandemic?

☐ Yes

☐ No

7. What resources do you require to implement these priorities?

8. Would you like to receive regular information about funding opportunities?

☐ Yes

☐ No

9. Any additional information/comments?

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APPENDIX 2

DEMOGRAPHIC, MAIN ACTIVITIES, KEY PRIORITIES AND RESOURCES

ORGANISATION	DEMOGRAPHIC	MAIN ACTIVITY	KEY PRIORITIES	RESOURCES REQUIRED
Fèis an Rubha	3-13	Main activity is a week-long summer school for children aged 3-13. Pre-school children and those aged 5-7 have a range of activities - singing, arts and crafts, etc. Those in the 8-13 age group get tuition in one musical instrument, as well as either Gaelic singing or drama.	Survival. The AGM and subsequent EGM did not have enough of a turnout to form a committee. As a result, there will be no Fèis an Rubha running in 2022.	Volunteers. We need to be sure that there are enough adults available to help during Fèis week, in order to ensure safe running of the event. We cannot organise a Fèis and just keep our fingers crossed that enough people are willing to help out at the time.
Taigh Cèilidh an Rubha	ALL AGES	a monthly get-together, with the activities depending on who turned up. The activities were all in Gaelic, but open to learners as well. (There are very few places for learners to go where the entire activity is in Gaelic, with no translations).	Restarting after Covid. Hopefully, Aros an Rubha will provide us with a comfortable place to resume the meetings.	A comfortable meeting room and access to tea and coffee making facilities.
Portnaguran, Broker, Newlands common grazing		upkeep of common grazings	not sure, limited to what we can do with our money	
Buth an Rubha / Cafe Roo	ALL AGES	Providing retail service for the community	To maintain employment in the area	Extra staffing
Point Football Club and Point Sport and Recreation Association	ALL AGES	Maintaining the site around the Point football pitch for recreation and sport. Point FC runs football teams at all age levels up to Senior. PSRA provides all the accommodation and recreation facilities at the Ionad.	Encouraging all age levels to take part in sport. Organising, enabling and managing teams to participate in competitive local competitions. Providing the best outdoor and indoor facilities for the local community. Constructing a catering kitchen at Ionad Stoodie, possibly providing polytunnels and land for growing food, an all weather pitch for small team work.	We are always looking at ways to improve the sporting experience for players and spectators and to expand the range of facilities within the Ionad. There are regular revenue demands for the servicing and upkeep of the facilities and capital requirements for any significant improvements. Funding at some time for capital works and possibly consultation on

				community aspirations for sport and relaxation.
An Rudhach Community Newspaper	ALL AGES	To serve as a news and information outlet for the Point area and also to keep rudhachs living outwith Point abreast of what's going on at "home". Our archive, which is getting bigger each month, is currently stored in the homes of committee members. Our main aim is to find some permanent storage. Hopefully Aros an Rubha will provide this.	In addition to storage space we will require furniture which will be mainly shelving. We can probably meet this cost from our own resources.	
Garrabost Mill Trust: Gniomhach	ALL AGES	Promoting the crofting and industrial history of the Garrabost area. Many Point residents have affectionate memories of taking home grown barley to the Mill and having it ground into barley meal; or hearing stories about the Mill from parents or grandparents. The Mill is in good condition with a unique paraffin driven working engine, some 100yrs old.	The Trust seeks to purchase the Mill, to maintain and develop it as a working site integral to the social history of Point, for residents and tourists. The area around the Mill in Claypark is of historic significance and the Trust would, over time, seek to purchase other historic buildings as funds permit. Our excellent links with Point and Sandwick Trust will be maintained.	On 10 February 2022, the Trust was awarded money from the Crown Estates; this will be used for purchase, legal fees and insurance. Funding sources will need to be identified for an upgrade of the Mill whilst still maintaining the integrity of the site.
Comunn na Gaidhlig	ALL AGES	The main demographic of the organisation is anyone who is willing to speak and understand the Gaelic language. The work is currently mainly focused on young people. Through our work we hope to encourage young people to use the language, so that they are willing to use the language more often. However part of my work is also involved with working in the community, I hope to do more of this as regulations relax and everything returns to closer to a 'normal'. All activities are through the medium of Gaelic. Activities that are currently running are an After School Club and Lunchtime clubs in Sgoil an Rubha. A Sradagan	To continue offering a wide range of activities for children in the area to allow them to use their Gaelic more often and in more informal environments. Another priority is being able to work in the community more and creating projects which would allow bringing the older and the younger generations together.	Locations to hold events in the community. People willing to help at events and willing to be involved with events also.

		Club which is held in Ionad Stoodie, Sradagan is a club where they can meet friends and enjoy fun games and activities through the medium of Gaelic. Throughout the school holidays there is always a variety of one off events available for the children in the area.		
Upper Bayble Common Grazings	ALL SHAREHOLDERS	Upper Bayble Common Grazings Management and maintenance of the aforementioned Grazings	Continued development and improvement of the grazings including access of government funds to enable this	Information on funding sources, better equipment, admin support
Shulishader Grazings Committee	28 Shareholders	To represent the crofting interests of our 28 shareholders.	To maintain and develop the viability of the common grazings.	Active members and grant support from the responsible Scottish government department.
Roots for Low Impact Living C.I.C	ALL AGES	Our company's activities provide benefit to: The local community (residents and visitors) of Point, Isle of Lewis, and adjacent areas, and the environment of Point. Specifically by the provision of local facilities, preservation and development of local heritage, enabling of resource sharing, support of reduced waste practices, and fostering of local craft production. Benefit will extend to a wide variety of groups within the community, including but not limited to: families with babies and children, walkers and tourists, local people looking for volunteering opportunities and paid work, as well as local craft producers	The aims and objectives of our Community Interest Company are to support the: Recycling of second hand clothes and goods Setting up of unpackaged zero waste food Promotion of environmentally friendly practices Promotion of the local craft community Development of historically significant reserves	Volunteer support would be greatly appreciated. Promotion of our activities to encourage interest in sustainable living and volunteering.
Cnoc Dubh Residents Association	ALL AGES	Maintaining the Play Park on the Cnoc Dubh and possibly other works in the area.	Maintaining the Play Park equipment and site.	Potentially small repair funding in future.
Comann Eachdraidh An Rubha	All people living in Point or the diaspora with an interest in the	Main activities relate to the following aims: 1. To promote an interest in the history of the area corresponding to the Sgìre an Rubha electoral division. 2, To collect, identify and	1. To equip our refurbished base in Aros An Rubha and make it an attractive exhibition and events base. 2. To attract more active volunteers	We need resources of volunteer manpower, possibly by publicity and a word of mouth recruitment drive. Financial resources would be

	culture and heritage of the area	preserve documents, artefacts, photographs and other material of historical value within the area for the benefit of the community. To these ends we mount thematic exhibitions, conduct research, provide occasional written articles for the Rudhach, respond to genealogical and other enquiries, assist with the local school as requested by them, and pre-pandemic, we held public talks once a year.	for the work of the society. 3. To continue to mount thematic exhibitions. One of these "Air a' Mhointich" is currently being researched and aims to open in August 2022. Another, on emigration, is planned for 2023. 4. To work towards establishing a permanent tribute to the life and work of Prof Derick Thomson. 5. To seek funding for a temporary post to catalogue and digitise our archive.	required to give our exhibitions a more professional appearance, e.g, by having information professionally printed on roller exhibition stands. Some funding beyond the society's current balances may be required for the equipping of Aros An Rubha. We are aware that storage of artefacts will be a problem in the new base, so alternative storage will need to be acquired. We have a sub-committee charged with looking into the Derick Thomson tribute. Some of our currently tentative plans will require considerable additional funding.
Point Parent and Toddler Group	Parent and carers of children from birth-school age, and the children.	These are mainly from point, but some children come from farther away. All are welcome. The group meets once a week in Garrabost Free Church Hall. It is basically a social gathering, giving an opportunity for parents to meet and for the children to play together. Parents, value the friendly, supportive atmosphere of the group.	1. To continue to provide a social space for children and parents. 2. To celebrate specific occasions/ events such as Christmas, Easter and the move from the group to school.	We are fortunate in that the church supports the group by providing free accommodation and the services of people associated with the church for catering and for setting out the hall each week. The parents pay £1.00 per week for each child, and this is used to buy presents at Christmas and a present (usually a Bible) for children before they go to school. Pre-pandemic we were fortunate to get a donation from PST for the Christmas party. This year, the Rudhach gave a donation which helped buy presents at Christmas time. We were unable to have a party because of restrictions. councillors

				have also given from the ward fund for replacement of toys. These types of contribution will still be appreciated.
Tiumpthead Community Association	The centre is used by groups catering for every age group from babies up to senior citizens.	The association are a committee of volunteers who work together to keep the community centre open and available to the public. We hire the centre to various organisations on a regular basis. We also run a monthly cafe to help raise funds for the upkeep of the centre and surrounding grounds.	Our main priority is to keep the centre open, in good repair and available for the community to use.	
Point Agricultural Society	ALL AGES	The main activity of the society is to organise and host an annual agricultural show. We have members from all parts of Point. The shows are very well attended by all age groups and by people from all over the island and beyond.	Our main aim is to continue to run the agricultural show each year and to encourage the future of crofting, agriculture and horticulture on the island.	Our main resource required be volunteers. We can never have too much help.
Urras Eaglais na h-Aoidhe	ALL AGES	To safeguard, enhance and promote Eaglais na h-Aoidhe and its historic graveyard thereby protecting and preserving an important example of the historical and architectural heritage of the Western Isles for the for the local community and visitors. Also, to enhance the physical and intellectual access to the general public through the provision of good paths and bi-lingual interpretation.	Maintaining the consolidated, but roofless building and the graveyard in a safe condition. Our future plans are to repair the two Georgian mausoleums, then to develop the smaller, western chapel in order to preserve two nationally significant grave slabs from further weathering. There is archaeological material to be analysed, which was removed during major coastal protection work in 2015, we need to find funding for this. We have an on-going programme of community engagement - –pen days, annual Colm Cille Lectures, fund raising ceilidhs and school visits. We are involved with WITGA for tourism. We also develop merchandise which	Mainly funding. PST has funded Alasdair Nicholson to raise funds or us. However there has been some delay with our conservation consultant who has had problems contacting HES (possibly as a result of the pandemic) to apply for the necessary permissions to start the work. Although we have the funding in place to do the development work on the western chapel, she hasn't managed to get very far yet. We also have the funding in place to repair the mausoleums, but again we are waiting for various permissions through our conservation consultant.

			is sold to raise funds and we are a small publishing company, publishing books which are sold to raise funds. Finally, our future ambition is to develop the Gateway, immediately outwith the graveyard as a welcome to Point. We believe Eaglais na h-Aoidhe has an integral place in the development of tourism on Point and the Gateway would welcome and introduce people to Point.	
Bayble Boat Owners and Pier Users Association	The membership totals 19 men aged approximately between 30 to 80. Families of these members also utilise the facilities. These include children, teenagers, spouses and partners of all genders	The Association provides a public amenity for the residents in the area of Bayble, Point, on matters concerning the social and community life of the area and especially in regards to the environment and moorings at Bayble Basin. More specifically, as an amenity, the association provides mooring facilities for commercial static gear and leisure boats throughout the year. The moorings are in a tidal basin within a concrete and metal infrastructure to which pontoons are attached. This work was undertaken in 2008. In May 2021 we upgraded our pontoons for which the costs were paid out of Association funds. The Association leases the land from the Crown estate. Any member of the public may join the Association. The site is open and accessible to the public at all times. Due to the nature of the amenity, anyone on site must comply with any health and safety requirements. The Association is not for profit. The Basin and moorings at Bayble Bay is a single identifiable site. Grid reference 152850,931042	The Association now needs to improve the infrastructure of the Basin in line with the work undertaken on the pontoons this year. The work undertaken will improve the facilities used by the public for boating activities on both a commercial and non-commercial basis in the Bayble area. It will also provide a safe harbour for any small sailing boat at risk travelling on the North Minch side of Point. Project Bayble Basin is split into the following objectives. Strengthening the concrete foundations - –with additional concrete. Excavation of silt and seaweed that has built up in the basin reducing access to and from the site. Protection of the basin entrance and parking which are subject to tidal surges. Improving access to the boats by building metal steps down to the pontoons. There is currently a 20ft vertical metal ladder. This will ensure	We need grant monies to complete the work highlighted in section 5. We have a tender summary and relevant third party backing documentation. The total estimated amounts to £43,369. The project will be overseen by Tony Robson, Consultant BSc, C.Eng. MICE.MIHT. The project is not for profit. The project does not require any planning, building warrants, orders, statutory notices or agreements. We have already received £8,000 against this sum from the Scottish Landfill Communities Fund. We are now awaiting to complete a form from CnES Area Forum Projects Funding for in the region of £35,000.

			safer access for younger and older users of the facility. This will also help some disabled users. (Nb-We are currently dry fitting the steps then they will be sent away to be galvanised.) Installation of steel tubular down pipes for attachment to pontoons. For health and safety purposes, we are installing navigation lights at the entrance of the shoreline for guidance into the basin. We are also installing security cameras to deter misuse of the facilities. Clearance of the area surrounding the basin, making it available for public use including a potential picnic area and for general car parking by landscaping and laying loose chippings.	
Point Community Council	ALL AGES	To assist the community of Point irrespective of age, race, and gender, in pursuing projects that will benefit the whole of the Point area	Identify what needs the most attention within the community of Point, consolidating the activities or operations into a final table that lists them as High, Medium, and Low	Government , Local Authority grant funding
Urras Stòras an Rubha	all residents of Point	Developing and managing the former Knock School as a community hub with facilities for retail, offices, community organisations and general community support.	1.Raise funding to implement elements of the original plans that had to be shelved to bring the project in on budget. 2.Raise funding to meet the aspirations to have Aros an Rubha as a green energy hub and move towards becoming 90%grid-free by producing and consuming much of its power.	These priorities will all require additional funding, mostly from outside sources, but including some in-house fund-raising. We continue to look for funding opportunities. We will continue to rely on volunteer resources for some of the activities in the hub

			3.Acquire additional funding and to allow expansion of facilities.	
Sheshader Amenities Association	ALL AGES	Sheshader village amenities for the social and practical benefit of residents and visitors	Playpark. Polycrub. Road safety. Community hub. Health. Environment.	Money
Point Youth Club & Youth Café	P4 to S6 young people in the Point area.	To provide a regular youth club and youth cafe and activities, training and volunteer opportunities for young people in the area.	*secure ongoing running costs, *secure funding for renovation of outdoor areas, including astro turf and car park, *secure funding and organise mechanism to employ youth workers, particularly for s1 - -6 Youth Cafe	We are currently unable to employ sessional youth workers as we cannot be employers - we need a local org to host the posts. Similar Gaelic posts in the area are structured through local Gaelic orgs but there is no English alternative for generic youth workers. There are pots of funding we can apply for but we cannot host the posts locally. This is a priority as the s1- S6 youth cafe requires youth workers. The young people do not want to attend with parents on a Saturday night, younger workers would provide peer support and also an opp for the s5/s6 local youths to work at the s1-s4 nights, allowing progression from volunteering and peer youth work. We require support to work up funding bids as the youth clubs are time intensive to organise and parent run. There is potential to make them sustainable past the point of the current committee if we can get a youth worker in place. This person could also support other youth groups in area by organising training for volunteers in the area, supporting

				local youth groups and organising the rotas for youth and activities for young people. A Volunteer night for all youth groups in the area was held prior to lockdown in March 2020 and this option was viewed positively by a number of local youth groups reps.
Knock and Swordale Community Company	The population of the villages of Knock and Swordale	Building a wind turbine on the common grazing belonging to the two village on the moor at Beinn Thulabaigh near the Pentland Road junction just west of Marybank. Planning permission has been granted and we are now awaiting a lease from EDF and are submitting a bid for CfD in May 2022.	To get the turbine built and to invest the income from it in development opportunities in the two villages, the wider Point area and in other areas with needs. For example, we already have costed plans for a coastal protection scheme on Swordale beach, but we need to find funding.	It would be very useful to find grant funding to help us to build the turbine to reduce loan repayments and leave more income for development projects.
CAIRDEAN OG ALLT NAN GALL	To promote the wellbeing of people aged 60 years and over in the Parish of Point	To organise meetings, recreational events, classes, training, talks, lectures and fundraising activities. To carry on any other activities which further any of the above objects. To purchase, take on lease, hire or otherwise acquire any property or rights which further any of the above activities. To improve, manage, develop, or otherwise deal with, all or any part of the property and rights of the association. To borrow money, and to give security in support of any such borrowings by the association. To engage such consultants and advisers as are considered appropriate from time to time. To employ such staff as are considered appropriate for the proper conduct of the associations activities, and to make reasonable provision for those involved. To effect insurance of all kinds (in particular Liability Insurance) which is renewed annually. To liaise	We joined OSCR in 2014 and withdrew in September 2021. We have returned to being self sufficient. We generate our own funding or at least make application whenever possible or directed. Our Group members provide any entry donation at our Monthly Meetings which are the first Tuesday of each month. We provide Guest Speakers, preferably local folk. Provide entertainment, Take part in Island Coach Trips locally with meals. We try to provide an annual mainland trip (Except for the last two years during Covid). We visit similar Groups and take part in return visits. We try where possible to organise 4 Soup & Pudding Events within the Ionad Stoodie which we	We provide an annual Christmas Lunch for ap19pprox.0 members at a local hotel during December. We have a Coach trip on 29 March 2022 to Ness which will include a tour of Europie, Butt Lighthouse, Fivepenny, Ness Harbour followed by a lunch at the CEN Cafe. We have also arranged a mainland trip to Oban 6 to 9 June 2022. It includes daily lunches and coach trips to the Mull of Kintyre (to see Paul McCartney) and Inveraray. Followed by a trip onto Mull and Iona for a visit to the Abbey and lunch again. OUR DEPARTURE FROM OSCR - during our connection, never once did they provide any assistance or direction

		with other voluntary bodies, local authorities, Scottish Government, agencies and any other bodies, all with a view to furthering the associations objects. To take such steps as may be deemed appropriate for the purpose of raising funds for the associations activities. To accept grants, donations, and legacies of all kinds (and to accept any reasonable conditions attaching to them). To do anything which may be incidental or conducive to the furtherance of any of the associations objects. GENERAL STRUCTURE: The members will have the right to attend the AGM (and any special general meeting) and have important powers to serve under the constitution, in particular, the members elect people to serve on the Management Committee and take decisions in relation to changes to the constitution itself. Our structure consists of a minimum of 4 members to qualify for a Forum on behalf of our 12 Management Committee Members. There is a Full Constitution prepared and adopted on 08.09.2014 and available for perusal.	also rent on its use for whatever purpose. We also assist and direct locally supplied Food Hampers to the most in need in our community and group too.	on how to generate funding. We also were committed to lengthy yearly returns which we all, as elderly individuals, found difficult to provide, for absolutely no benefit. Consequently, we returned to our own system, where we still submit on a yearly audit of our finances and checked by a qualified individual (different person each year). I think this is why we have the largest OAP Group in the whole of the Western Isles and keen to continue to increase on its members.
1st Point Scout Group (Cubs and Beavers)	Beavers age 6-8.5 Cubs age 8-11	Weekly meeting with a varied programme developing skills for life	Keep recruiting leaders so we can continue and expand to a 'Squirrels' group (age 4-6) when able to do so. Making sure we keep enough funding so we can pay for hall hire (pre-covid we met in the school for free, now they have stopped all bookings)	Ongoing funding. We do collect subscriptions but these cover our annual fee to the Scout Association and for badges and equipment.
Upper Bayble Community Trust CIC	Village of Upper Bayble.	Community Wind Farm	Benefit residents of Upper Bayble.	Regular meeting to recommence following covid

Tiumpán Young at Heart Club	Older Residents	Meet fortnightly with the older residents of the community. Engage in various activities and coach trips to Island and mainland locations from time to time. Buffet and entertainment evenings in local community centre. Our aim is to entertain and give the members a feel good factor.	Continue to make a few of the older generation in the Community very happy. Pursue every possible avenue available to fund our activities.	More funding
Aignish Cemetery (Eye Cemetery Committee)	ALL AGES	Arranging funerals	Arranging funerals	Annual fees from Lairholders who have family Lairs in cemetery
Knock and Point Free Church of Scotland Continuing	ALL AGES	Main activities are Christian worship and associated events.	Proclamation of the Gospel of Jesus Christ.	A broadband connection to livestream services on the internet would be good. BT quoted almost £4k for this in 2021.
Point and Sandwick Community Trust (PST)	ALL AGES	PST is a community-owned wind farm that exists as an asset to generate significant revenue for community projects over the 25-year life span of the turbines. The windfarm itself is a wholly owned asset for PST, but the purpose of the charity has a far wider remit than disbursing grants. We have a very strong community development role, and a lot of the projects you list have their genesis or have had cash from us in the last six years. PST funds community groups and organisations in both the Point and Sandwick areas and across the Western Isles.	PST will continue to invest in the broad areas of the charitable aims set out in the original plan. PST has already committed funding to a number of organisations and projects for between the next 3 to 5 years. These projects all fit with the broad seven charitable objectives of the Trust. PST has two other fundamental goals which we try to achieve in all our investment priorities and decisions: creating or sustaining jobs, and maximising the impact of our investment through leveraging new external funds into projects, in addition to our own investment	

Point and Sandwick Coastal Community Path (P&SCCP)	ALL AGES	To develop a coastal trail around and through the districts of both Point and Sandwick. The trail: will ultimately add to and complement the Hebridean Way. links the districts with Stornoway likely to increase economic opportunity through tourism; locals and visitors alike. will include sections with "access for all" and offer historic, archaeological, cultural and land and coastal features as well as increased opportunities for recreation and exercise irrespective of age and ability.	Funding the completion of all sections of the trail offering access to some 40km or more of route. Promotion of the trail via a variety of media sources. Minimising future maintenance and adopting " green policies" where practical: e.g. recycling/reusing materials in construction, use of recycled, plastic route furniture, hire of electric bikes etc	Financial Resources: grants especially Human Resources: volunteers & input from suitably qualified Consultants and others with relevant, expert knowledge and skills Stakeholder Support; financial, in principle and in kind from relevant organisations and individuals such as the Community, Trusts, Landowners, Grazings Committees and relevant sector organisations.
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