

BALLOT PAPER

North West Mull Community Woodland Company

Community Ballot

Do you support the proposed purchase of the Isle of Ulva on behalf of the community of North West Mull and Ulva?

YES

NO

Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003: Part 2 Community Right to Buy

Information to be provided to ballotter

Section 51A(6) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003

Note: This form, once completed with the information provided in the expandable boxes below, must fit within 2 sides of A4. Information in the boxes below must be provided in 12 point type, using Arial font.

1. What is the name of the community body ("CB") which is submitting the information to the ballotter under section 51A(6) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003?

North West Mull Community Woodland Company Limited

2. What is the CB's Register of Community Interests in Land registration number?

CB00221

3. What is the company number, registration number or charity number of the CB, as the case may be?

SC287343

4. What are the contact details of the CB?

Contact Name: Mr Colin Morrison

Postal Address: Penmore Mill, Penmore, Tobermory, Argyll and Bute
PA75 6QS

Telephone: 01688 400600

Email: colin@nwmullwoodland.co.uk

5. Please describe the land and/or salmon fishings or mineral rights in relation to which the community body has confirmed it will exercise its right to buy.

The Island of Ulva and associated holdings at Ulva Ferry on the mainland of The Isle of Mull.

6. What are the CB's proposals for use of the land and/or salmon fishings or mineral rights in relation to which it is exercising its right to buy?

The objective is to manage the estate to provide sustainable benefits for the community in the short to medium term and in the long term for future generations including the repopulation of the island.

Summary proposals include:

- Improve existing housing stock and provide for new builds
- Provide security of tenure for existing and new residents
- Promote inward investment to support new businesses based on the island
- Revitalise and expand agriculture
- Manage forestry sustainably and seek new opportunities
- Develop and sustainably manage tourism to boost economic activity
- Care for and promote the rich cultural and natural heritage of the island
- Support marine industries, fishing and aquaculture

The aim is for economic and social development leading to sustainable population increases. After 5 years at least a doubling to over 10 people, after 10 years up to 20 people and ultimately after 20 years or so a return to the levels of a few decades ago when the population was between 30 and 50 people or more.

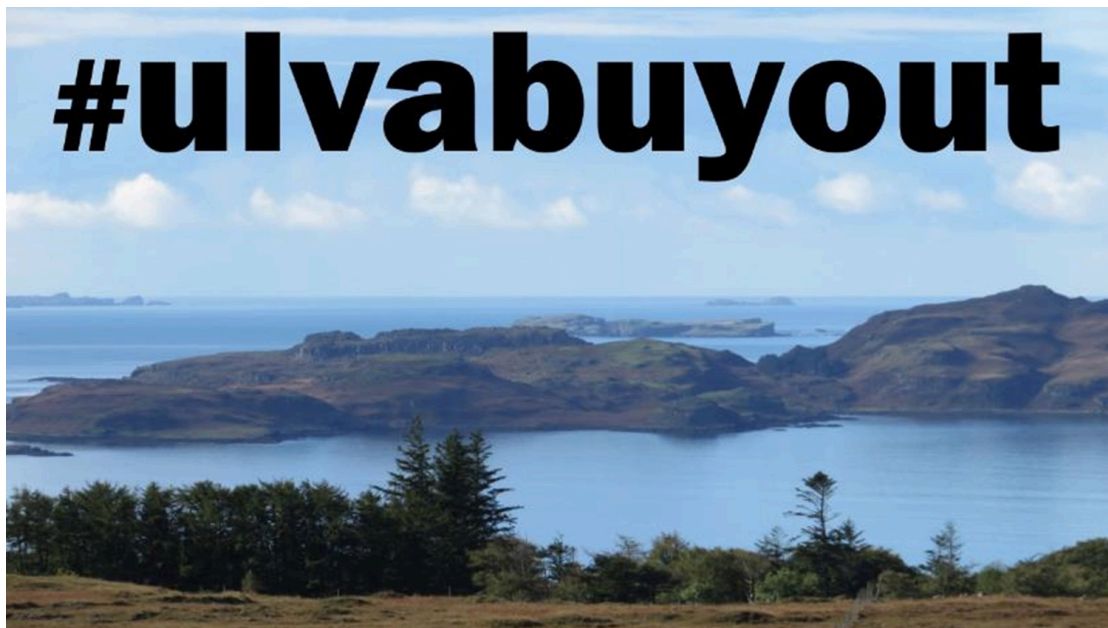
7. Where can members of the community obtain details of the CB's proposals?

Company website - <http://nwmullwoodland.co.uk/>

Company office - 01688 400600

8. What is the assessed value of the land and any moveable property which has been valued as notified to the CB by the valuer in accordance with section 60(2) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003?

TBC



WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIVE ON ULVA?

The main aim of the proposed community buyout of Ulva is to give the island a new lease of life and ensure its sustainable future for generations to come.

A key part of that will involve increasing the resident population. Not up to the pre-clearance levels of around 600, but hopefully up to the 50 or more prior to the decline of the past few decades.

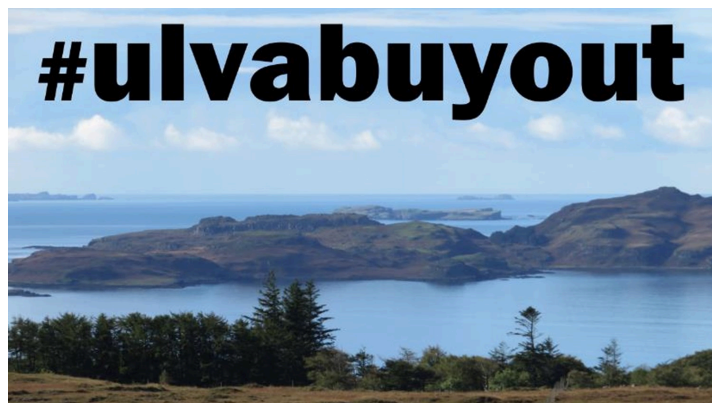
To help us with our plans for social and economic development we need to gauge the potential demand for housing on the island and also assess the range of the economic opportunities which may exist.

If you think you might like to join us in this venture, we would welcome your expression of interest. Clearly as we haven't yet purchased the island, this exercise can only be indicative at this stage. But we hope it will help us establish the viability of our plans and perhaps open up new opportunities for us to consider.

Demand will probably exceed capacity and at some point we will need to set up a formal application and allocation policy.

In the meantime if you'd like to get in touch, please could you email us at admin@nwmullwoodland.co.uk with **Ulva Housing** in the subject line.

Please tell us a little bit about yourself, your family and your intended occupation. It would also be helpful if you could let us know roughly where you live at present – Mull and Iona, Scottish Islands, Scottish mainland, UK or overseas.



What are we doing?

We are trying to secure the island of Ulva and its associated holdings at Ulva Ferry for the Community of Ulva and North West Mull - now and for future generations.

Why?

Because we believe that the people who live and work in our community are best placed to decide how to run it for the common good. We believe strongly in the potential for social and economic rejuvenation of Ulva, including repopulation. We'd like to see the resident population back at the levels of 30 or 40 years ago when there were over 30 people living on the island.

What happens next?

An official valuation ordered by the Scottish Government should be published in mid December. At about the same time, a postal ballot will be going out to all voters in North West Mull asking whether they support the proposed buyout. In early January the ballot result will be published. Also in January we need to submit our draft Business Plan. The Government will then assess the ballot result and the viability of our business plan and decide whether we can go ahead. If we get that green light we will have until 9th June 2018 to put a funding package together and complete the purchase. It will still be possible at any time during this process for the present owners and ourselves to enter into direct negotiations if both sides so wish.

Millions of pounds for only 6 people?

We are buying Ulva for the generations to come and not just for the few individuals currently living there. It will be owned on behalf of the whole community of North West Mull, Ulva Ferry and Ulva itself. The alternative will be a sale on the open market to the highest bidder, with every likelihood of an absentee landlord and no guarantees on housing or economic development in the community's interest.

The whole point of the community buyout is to revitalise the Island including repopulation. Our target of 30 or more permanent residents after 20 years is conservative. We could realistically envisage numbers rising quicker than this and to a higher level. There is no shortage of suitable land for housing on Ulva relatively close to the ferry. With a Community landlord, housing provision whether to buy, rent, or by releasing self build plots will be a high priority. Though in each case there will be safeguards built-in to protect the long term interests of the community. For example to prevent houses becoming holiday homes.

Where will the money come from?

Increased Community ownership of land is central to Land Reform in Scotland. As such the government set up the Scottish Land Fund (SLF) to assist with Community purchases including via the Right to Buy process. We are already in discussion with the SLF and their substantial support will be essential. We will also be required to raise a significant portion of the total price ourselves and we are in discussion with a number of potential sponsors in the private and public sector. Our crowdfunding appeal via Just Giving will run on right up to June, and last but by no means least we will be organising various fundraising events in the coming months.

Will MICT be involved?

When the island unexpectedly came on the market we had to act very fast. We discussed this with MICT and they agreed that the Woodland Company with our smaller board of Directors would be able to make the

necessary decisions more quickly than the partnership arrangement that we had proposed. We also felt that our more focused membership area of North West Mull and Ulva would enable us to assess more quickly the level of local community support in a petition. MICT support the proposed buyout and their direct involvement going forward will be very important. MICT are keen to be involved in delivery of some of the projects that have been asked for by the community. Also as Ulva's population grows the residents will naturally take an increasing role in managing the island's development. Long term it is entirely possible to envisage a new Community Body taking full responsibility.

Buying Ulva is one thing, but can we afford to develop it?

An independent Feasibility Study has been carried out on our behalf, funded by Highlands and Islands Enterprise. The main conclusion is that our proposals are entirely feasible. Under community ownership, priorities for expenditure will be different. We believe that by refocusing the priorities and approach to managing the island we could keep it ticking over with its present population without running up any significant debts - though of course we do not intend to simply carry on as before. We have an ambitious range of proposed developments and the key will be to move forward in a carefully phased programme over years if not decades. Having said that, we are confident that even in the first year or two we will be able to demonstrate real change in our priority areas - for example, housing, agriculture, forestry and tourism.

How much community support is there?

The petition carried out in July showed strong support for us to start the application process. But to actually go ahead with a purchase the legislation requires a postal ballot of all registered voters in our company's membership area. This ballot will be carried out by the Electoral Reform Society on behalf of the Scottish Government.

We recognise that not everyone will agree with us and we respect those genuinely held opinions. If anyone would like more information or to discuss any aspect of our proposals please get in touch.

However, if you support this community buyout and you are eligible to vote, please, please use the postal ballot to register that support so that we don't miss this golden opportunity.

Eligible voters will be receiving their postal ballot forms and a postage paid return envelope in late December.

PLEASE USE YOUR VOTE

And please vote early to avoid delays due to the festive season postal rush as votes received late won't be counted

If you have any queries please contact any of the committee members named below, or get in touch with our office via: admin@nwmullwoodland.co.uk or phone: 01688 400600.

John Addy, Ian Hepburn, Andy Mayo, Emma McKie, Colin Morrison, Rebecca Munro, Rhuri Munro,



North West Mull Community Woodland Company Ltd

[REDACTED]

From: John Addy [REDACTED]
Sent: 05 December 2017 15:55
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Colin Woodland; Ian A Hepburn
Subject: Re: North West Mull Community Woodland Company Limited - CB00221 - Latest update from SG - SG observations on drafts

Hello [REDACTED]

Thanks for these suggestions.

We have already used the Q & A paper and the “would you like to live on Ulva” paper, but will revise them before we put them out again.

Our next public information post will be a mailshot ahead of the ballot and we’ll take on board your other suggestions then.

We are conscious that we need to get more info up on the Company website and will get on to that.

thanks again

John

On 5 Dec 2017, at 15:44, [REDACTED]

Hi John

Thanks for the email

I’ve had Simon from the ERS on the phone today. I’ve passed your and the phone number at Q4 of schedule 10 to him, so he should be in touch soon.

I’ve had a look through the paperwork and do have some observations NW Mull may wish to consider. It is of course up to the community whether to accept any of my observations.

Ballot Question

- You may want to revise the question, to ensure the land description reflects the land being balloted for. You may want to use the description of the land as found in the Minister’s Decision Notice.

Schedule 10

- I’ve released the protection on the form for you (there is something not 100% correct with it, and this is something I need to look into at our end).
- Question 5 – again you may want to amend the description of the land to reflect the description as found in the Ministers Decision Notice. This would also align with the description as found on the ballot paper. Equally, you may want to ensure that whenever mentioning the land you use the same version to describe it.
- Question 6 – Due to me releasing the protection, you do have up to 6 additional lines of text. We would recommend that you use these 6 lines to also provide a brief paragraph also covering the economic and social benefits for the other proposals as noted in question 6.

Would you like to live on Ulva PDF

- We thought housing and population increase one of many main aims for Ulva
- Also not in last paragraph you mention intended occupation. Should that not be current or intended occupation? Reason being it could be possible that people move to Ulva who are already employed, and if you know this too, then it can let you plan for the future needs (on top of knowing of potential intended occupations).

Questions PDF

What are we doing

- Again, may want to change the land description so it reflects that what will appear on the ballot, schedule 10 form etc – this would help ensure consistency in describing the land (as it would only take someone to raise an issue that each time the land appears to be different). Also after Ulva Ferry, mention under the CRtB legislation.

Why

- Do you not also believe that on top of how best to decide to run t for the common good, that they are also best placed to develop it too?
- Rejuvenation if Ulva will also likely involve environmental too, so may want to drop that in to if there is going to be any
- You mention housing only, you should consider expanding to cover the other proposals for the wider land in Ulva

What happens next

- Change official valuation to an independent valuation – as this is what it officially is
- Before voters add “eligible” and after North West Mull add “defined community area” – helps clarify it’s only these people getting to vote
- After support and “/or not” – covers those who may not support the proposals

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- After living there add “but for the wider community and the new residents we hope to attract”
- After guarantee remove housing and replace with on sustainable social, economic of environmental development”
- Remove whole point and replace with “aim”
- Remove including repopulation
- The last para – you should expand on the other proposals for the island and not just focus on the housing and the whole island will benefit long term

Will MICT be involved

- May be worth acknowledging you will likely be seeking support from other local and national agencies too – lets people know more than MICT could be helping you out

Buying Ulva is one thing

- Wear you say programme over years, revise to “programme over many years or decades, as this is long term project” – this should keep expectation down and let people this is a long haul project
- Consider mentioning that there is development funding we could apply for depending on the specific proposals – again this lets people know they are funds out there that can support specific projects

How much community support is there

- The paragraph starting However, if you support – delete
- After the paragraph starting Eligible voters you should add “so please vote, you vote is important”
- And once you’ve spoken with the ERS about the cut of date for returning ballots, may want to add this date in.

I note you have included a link to your webpages at schedule 10 (might want to include the link as well in the QA). If not already done so, NW Mull may want to update any Ulva buyout page on their

web-pages just now, so it contains relevant information for anybody looking at it as part of checking up on your plans (as it's likely that many people out-with your community may look at it during the ballot period and from now on it to see how you are getting along). For example:

For example other groups in the past have included latest developments (the latest on funding / latest on business plan / thanking people for input into any feasibility study / expanding on their rough thoughts on the improvements there proposals could bring (including a link to a feasibility study but not always) / Latest on CRtB timings / maps of the land etc). It all helps to show openness.

As advised when we visited, we are also happy to look over any "draft" business plan prior to you needing to submit in January, as we can check it over to see if there is anything missing or may need expanded on as per normal good practise business planning development guidance that exists.

Otherwise, hope my observations are helpful.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From: John Addy [REDACTED]
Sent: 28 November 2017 10:24
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Colin Woodland; Ian A Hepburn
Subject: Re: North West Mull Community Woodland Company Limited - CB00221 - Latest update from SG

Hello [REDACTED]

Here's our draft schedule 10 form - But I'm afraid the locked formatting of the form won't allow us to get rid of the blank lines in order to keep it to 2 sides of A4 - something needs fixing or maybe its just my (lack of) skills with Word.

Also attached is a draft Ballot form

Haven't heard from ERS yet, but will wait till you have had chance to look at these first drafts before contacting them.

We are putting out the attached Q & A sheet out in the December edition of our local monthly paper, "Round and About Mull & Iona". We'll be adding to this and updating closer to the ballot and we intend to put out a mailshot ahead of the ballot. (I understand the owners are putting something in the same edition of R & A but I dont know what their piece will say)

Regrding “Skills” and “Capacity” we are about to start work recruiting a Project Manager dedicated to the Buyout. Hoping to get someone lined up and ready to hit the ground running in January.

I should also mention that we are in discussion with Mull and Iona Community Trust (MICT) with a view to them taking on a significant role in housing development on Ulva - Early days on this but we hope to have something concrete on how the collaboration will work in time to be included in the Business Plan to be submitted in January.

Finally we have put out a general invitation for expressions of interest from people who may want to live on Ulva. This will help us gauge the demand. It will likely help us with economic development planning because we’re also asking people what they would propose to do business/occupation wise.

Look forward to any thoughts you have on the ballot drafts

regards

John



Hi John

c.c Colin/Ian

Was a pleasure visiting yourselves last week, and for yourselves taking time to show us around part of a very muddy Isle of Ulva. If I had been a 10 yr old kid (or a dog), I would have loved all that mud. Although the island air didn’t help my cold.

Just to let you know, I have passed all your details onto the Electoral Reform Services (ERS), and I believe Simon from the ERS may have now been in touch.

You mentioned at the meeting that you had already developed a possible ballot question and had completed the schedule 10 form (minus the valuation figure). As advised at the meeting we are happy to look at the “drafts” of these for yourselves if you wish, prior to you formally submitting them to the ERS. You will need to submit them to the ERS within 7 days from the valuation report being issued (valuation due 12/12/17 – therefore ballot question and schedule 10 needs to be with the ERS by 19/12/17).

We are also happy to look over any “draft” ballot promotional work you may be working on as well.

Ian – thanks for forwarding the steering group skills. It may be useful when developing the business plan to create a section called skills, and insert the excel table into this. You may also wish to consider where there is a skills shortage in the company, that you demonstrate how the company plan to address any shortages (i.e. employ someone, training for the current members, or hire in help etc) in the business plan to, and whether any approaches to get these skills has been made.

Again, as advised, we are happy to look at “drafts” if you wish.

Have a good weekend.



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 11 December 2017 12:05
To: John Addy [REDACTED] colin@nwmullwoodland.co.uk; Ian A Hepburn <ian_nwmullwoodland@btconnect.com> (ian_nwmullwoodland@btconnect.com)
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: North West Mull Community Woodland Company Limited - CB00221 - Post Valuation - What happens now - timings and actions to Community body

Morning Folks

THE LAND REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2003
NORTH WEST MULL COMMUNITY WOODLAND COMPANY LIMITED (NWMCWCL (CB00221))

Tomorrow is the day for the valuation report from the DVS to be published. As a result I'm sending out some information on what happens once this report is issued. The report will be issued to yourselves, the landowner and Scottish Ministers.

- Within Schedule 10 as part of the ballot material the valuation price is to be provided. Please be aware the valuation is Scottish Ministers and please be aware of the General Information contained within section 5 of the valuation report, **specifically** in relation to making information public without obtaining approval from ourselves first.
- Either party has until [23:59pm on the 2 January 2018](#) to appeal the valuation.
- We will provide further guidance on what happens, should an appeal be lodged. If an appeal happens NWMCWCL and the ERS should continue to follow the activities in the timeline, unless otherwise advised.

[What happens now following Valuation Report Issues - \(Price to be paid\)](#)

- Section 56(2) of the Act determines the price. In that first:
 - Both parties should agree a purchase price,
 - Failing that, it will be the valuation price or
 - Where the valuation has been appealed, the value as determined by the appeal.
- The price contained in the valuation report is the "market value" and that is the price that funders could fund up to (subject to their own T&C's – some might only fund up to another % limit). NWMCWCL are also likely to be required to raise a certain % of the purchase price yourselves. So if not already doing so, we would recommend NWMCWCL contact as many potential funders as possible and start taking steps to raise the % of the purchase price yourselves.
- NWMCWCL should contact the owner once the valuation report is issued, to open up negotiations about securing the transfer (which could include any conditions as necessary or expedient to secure the transfer). I should highlight, if NWMCWCL agree a price higher than in the valuation report, then you will need to fund this gap yourselves. NWMCWCL could fund this gap using funds from a number of funders or through other means (loans, fund raising etc), although funders might be reluctant to fund higher than market value.

- Equally if NWMCWCL and the landowner can agree to conclude a purchase sooner than the 9 June 2018 date, then there is nothing preventing both parties from doing this, however please let Scottish Ministers know. Equally, if it is likely to take longer than the 9 June 2018, the Act does allow for an extension (providing agreed by both parties) and if an extension is granted, then again, please let Scottish Ministers know.
- Also there is nothing preventing either party from withdrawing. However if NWMCWCL withdraw then the interest will be deleted and the prohibition lifted. If the landowner withdraws, then the process stops and the interest converts to a timeous and the interest will remain registered for the next 4 ½ years with the prohibition continuing. If the landowner then wishes to trigger they can, and the whole process starts from the beginning again.

What happens now following Valuation Report Issues - (Ballot/return of information and decision)

- NWMCWCL will need to provide the ERS with the ballot question wording and the Schedule 10 form [by 23:59pm on the 19 December 2017](#). If you would like we are happy to cast our eye over any other Ad-hoc ballot publicity material NWMCWCL are planning on sending out.
- The ballot needs to be conducted with the ERS returning the ballot results to Scottish Ministers/NWMCWCL and the landowner [by 23:59pm on the 9 January 2018](#).
- NWMCWCL need to return the Section 51B form (and supporting documents (like a business plan or feasibility) to Scottish Ministers [by 23:59pm on the 9 January 2018](#). If you would like we are happy to cast our eye over any “draft” business plan or feasibility study, prior to this date. We are also happy to look at any “draft” Section 51B form too before this date.
- Scottish Ministers will have 7 days from receipt of final ballot paperwork and Section 51B form and associated documents ([i.e. by 23:59pm on the 16 January 2018](#)), to get back in touch with the ERS or NWMCWCL if we require any further information.
- NWMCWCL or the ERS will then have another 7 days, [by 23:59pm on the 23 January 2018](#) to provide this information to Scottish Ministers.
- The ballot results should be published by the ERS in a local newspaper [by 23 January 2018](#). You may wish to work with the ERS on advising them which local newspaper would be suitable.
- Scottish Ministers have until [30 January 2018](#) to make their decision. (*please note – Scottish Ministers can take longer to make a decision (section 51(7) of the Act), and if they do, then it does not affect the validity of their decision*).
- NWMCWCL have until the [9 June 2018](#) to conclude the purchase, unless an extension (section 56(3)(c) of the Act) is agreed between yourselves and the landowner. If an extension is agreed, please let Scottish Ministers know.

I attach an updated timeline for NWMCWCL which reflects current timings following the expected issue of the valuation report. Nothing has changed, apart from the insertion of the date the valuation report was received.

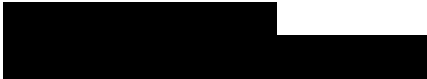
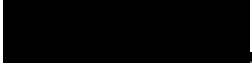


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I hope this is helpful. We will of course be in contact again.

If you have any questions, please get in touch.

Cheers



[Redacted]

From: John Addy [Redacted]
Sent: 21 December 2017 17:48
To: Simon Clarke
Cc: [Redacted]; Colin Woodland; [Redacted]
Subject: Ulva Ballot: Register of Voters

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Simon,

One of our younger voters, [Redacted], (copied on this email with his permission) has raised a query.

The question is: Will 16 and 17 year olds be able to vote in this ballot as they are in Scottish Parliamentary elections?

Surely they should be able to vote.

[Redacted] is 16 years old (birthday was in February) and as of today he hasn't received a ballot paper.

His address is:

[Redacted]

I asked [Redacted] how many other people he thought would be in a similar position and he very helpfully gave me the following list. Most of whom live with their parents but one or two are at University.

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

also worth checking....

[Redacted]
over 18

[Redacted]

recently turned 18
at University and well

Hope you will be able to sort this out.

regards

John Addy

Director
North West Mull Community Wodland Company

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From: John Addy [REDACTED]
Sent: 30 December 2017 11:19
To: Simon Clarke; Jasper Loxton
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Two more with no papers

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Please add the two names below as well as the ones from yesterday.

When our ballot is over I suggest the system needs a proper looking at. There have been too many anomalies and errors.

Let's speak on 2nd. I'll be on the road. My mobile is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] - [REDACTED]

Regards

John

Sent from my iPhone

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[REDACTED]

From: John Addy [REDACTED]
Sent: 03 January 2018 15:25
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: ULVA and BELLART

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Hello [REDACTED]

HAPPY NEW YEAR to you and yours.

Couple of queries....

1) ULVA

Is there any prescribed format for submission of our Business Plan etc. on 9th January?

Ballot is progressing. Latest number of returned envelopes at ERS is 157. Hopefully numbers will increase from tomorrow when post backlog starts to clear through.

Timing really is rubbish. Christmas and Hogmanay delays and then our last possible post leaving Mull is 8:00am on Saturday. Which means effectively people have to get it in the box by Friday evening.

Lets see how the numbers look tomorrow. But we won't really have any time to go out encouraging people to vote which at any other time of the year we would be able to do.

2) BELLART

Hopefully our application can be validated asap. Just in case it suddenly comes on the market out of the blue.....

regards

John

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From: John Addy [REDACTED]
Sent: 09 January 2018 11:49
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Ulva Letters of Support

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Letters of support
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For the Attention of Mr Colin Morrison

8th January 2018

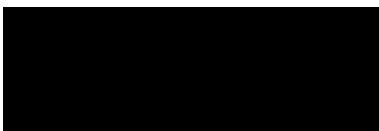
Dear Colin

On behalf of the Board of Mull and Iona Community Trust I am writing to confirm our support for the NWMCWC bid to buy the Isle of Ulva. We view the project positively, not just in general terms of using land to increase the sustainability of communities but specifically as it will enhance the progress made in recent years with projects we have helped deliver to repopulate the Ulva Ferry area, stimulate the local economy and boost the school roll at Ulva Primary School.

Expanding the local community through the measures proposed in the feasibility study and business plan will, we believe, strengthen the economy of Mull and contribute towards reversing the aging demographic of the population of Mull and Iona.

We look forward to finding ways for MICT to help with delivery of projects to help make the Ulva Buyout a major success.

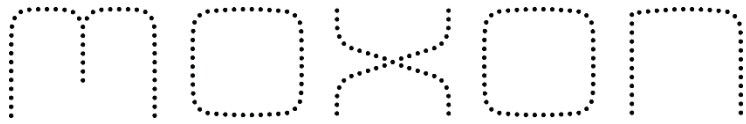
Yours sincerely



Moray Finch
General Manager

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Colin Morrison
Chairman
North West Mull Community Woodland Company
Penmore
Dervaig
Isle of Mull
PA75 6QS

Dear Colin,

ULVA BUYOUT

I am writing to express the support of Moxon Architects for the purchase of Ulva on behalf of the community. This exciting project is one we would be very pleased to be associated with in a significant and practical way.

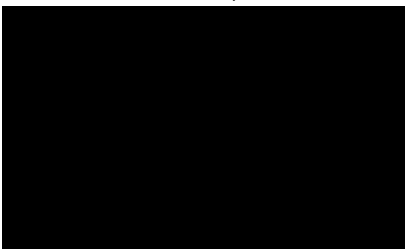
We understand that renovation of the existing housing stock in order to increase the resident population will be one of the highest priorities assuming the community buyout goes ahead. To help expedite this important development, we would like to make the following offer:

Moxon Architects is prepared to waive all professional fees to carry out the necessary Design work, Liaison with the Planning Department and obtaining Building Warrants for the following houses: 1, 2 and 3 Bracadale, Fisherman's Cottage, The Manse and Ferry House.

We estimate that the fees waived under this offer will amount to around £25,000 and we shall be very happy for you to use this figure in discussions on co-funding with the Scottish Government and bodies such as the Scottish Land Fund and other potential partner organisations.

I look forward to discussing this further and wish you every success with the project.

Yours sincerely,



Ben Addy

8th January 2018

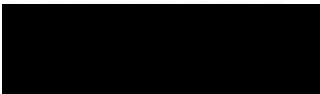
To whom it may concern,

Letter of support for NWCWM's buyout of the Isle of Ulva

Community Land Scotland is writing to support North West Mull Community Woodland Company's plans to buy the Isle of Ulva. Community Land Scotland is supportive of large scale buyouts and their potential to create transformative change for communities. We believe that the Ulva Buyout will reverse what has been a drastic decline in population over recent years and will have a positive impact on the future of Ulva Ferry and other communities in North West Mull.

North West Mull Community Woodland Company has a strong Board with a wide range of skills and, through its ownership of the Langamull and West Ardhru forests, has already demonstrated its ability to manage and develop land and to raise significant investment for development.

Yours faithfully,



pp Angela Williams
Vice-Chair, Community Land Scotland