MINUTES of MEETING of CAMPBELTOWN FERRY SUB-GROUP held in the AQUALIBRIAM, CAMPBELTOWN on FRIDAY, 23 OCTOBER 2015

Present:

Councillor Anne Horn (Chair)

Councillor John Armour

Attending:Graeme Forrester, Area Committee Manager
Moya Ingram, Strategic Transportation Manager
James Lafferty, Project Officer
Ewen MacDonald, Explore Campbeltown
Mairi Paterson, Explore Campbeltown
Kevin Lewis, Machrihanish Dunes
Ranald Watson, Springbank Distillers

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and general introductions were made.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of:-

Zena Coffield, South Kintyre Development Trust Tommy Millar, The Laggan Community Council Alan Baker, Campbeltown Community Council

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING - 26TH JUNE 2015

The Minute of the Campbeltown Ferry Sub-group meeting held on 26 June 2015 was approved as a true record.

3. MATTERS ARISING

Councillor Armour advised of a recent meeting with Simon Richmond, Area Operations Manager of CalMac. He advised that Mr Richmond agreed that he would be in touch on a more frequent basis.

4. DISCUSSION/FINALISATION OF SUBMISSION FOR MEETING WITH MINISTER ON 27TH OCTOBER 2015

The Project Officer provided a brief update outlining the agenda for the meeting with the Transport Minister, Derek MacKay on Tuesday 27 October 2015. General discussion was had in relation to the timescales involved in the meeting and the need to ensure that the positive feeling regarding the service is portrayed, while leaving time for meaningful discussion in relation to possible marketing strategies and timetables going forward at the end of the meeting.

The Council's Strategic Transportation Manager suggested that the presentation should focus on demonstrating that the outline object was a former of the service has helped the economy for Kintyre as a whole as well as central Campbeltown. Ms Ingram suggested that the group incorporate information on the considerable investment made in the area by 32lice