

Centre & Event Manager Update – 19th April 2016

Licensing & Training:

Personal Alcohol License I completed my training and exam on the 13th April, as soon as I get my qualification I can apply for my license. **Food Hygiene** - courses are booked on the 25th and 26th April. **Premises License** - The Licensing Standards Officer has confirmed that the premises license fee can be based on the part of the building where alcohol is served rather than the whole building.

Advertising:

I am working on an advert in EVENTS for their Community Hall Weddings special edition. I have also been in contact with Calmac about advertising in their 2017 “Go Explore” publication and online travel planner and onboard advertising for early next season. Norman and I have discussed a structure and look for the website and the website text is now well underway.

Restaurant:

We have started negotiations with a preferred tenant for the restaurant and we are working with them to finalise the kitchen specification and discussing design details for the dining and servery areas.

Business Units:

We are ready now to start advertising for business unit tenants. Four businesses have already registered an interest.

Weddings: Another wedding enquiry for 2017 and one postponed until 2018. I have been working on the Wedding pages of the website and now a restaurant tenant has been chosen we will start working on packages and menu pricing. I have contacted a local wedding photographer who will provide photos of brides and Grooms on Nisabost beach for the website.

Operational Considerations:

I have advertised for volunteers for the Centre Management committee. On 14th April I completed a Business Plan refresher course and will start on updating the Business plan for the operation of the Centre.

The Name the Centre Competition Alex Passmore won the competition with the name “Talla na Mara” and was awarded with his prize on the 29th March.