

EILEAN EISDEAL UPDATE NUMBER 19 - OCTOBER 2002

To all Easdale islanders, members and friends

Hall

As you can see, the building work on the hall has come on in leaps and bounds (or should that be sweeps and founds...). Completion is anticipated early in the New Year, with the opening party at Easter. There will be lots of opportunity for community involvement once we reach the decorating and landscaping stages, so watch out !

Harbour

The removal of the derelict catamaran at the top of the harbour has eased the way for this year's winter arrangements and we are currently consulting boat-owners regarding this. (Although by the time this edition is out all the boats will probably be safely in place.)

We have opened a dialogue with potential funders for interim improvements to the harbour. This is still in the early stages, but the initial response has been encouraging and we hope to see some work being carried out next year. It has always been an agreed objective to maximize the use of Trust funds, and obtaining interim funding means that for every pound we spend, this can be matched ten-fold. We will obviously take professional advice and consult with members before anything is decided. We have already been given some very useful suggestions for improvements and would welcome any more ideas - going on past experience there are probably lots more out there! In the meantime, thank you all for your encouragement and support.

AGM

The AGM will be at the end of December and notification of the exact time and date will be sent out to all members shortly. We will have vacancies for new directors and nomination forms will be included with these papers. Hope to see you all there.

Sandra Melville (Chair)