SIRA DECISION MAKING PROCESS

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SIRA scotland island residents' association

Applying to all decisions that can be and should be made by the SIRA Committee

- 1. Decisions that **significantly** affect the whole community are made by all members of the community through a **community consultation and decision making process** (see below).
- 2. Decisions that **significantly** affect a sub-group, or a member of the community, are made by the SIRA Committee on the basis of consultation with that sub-group or individual.
- 3. Decisions required to **implement** the significant decisions are made by the SIRA Committee, who are elected annually by the community.

SIGNIFICANT MATTERS

- i. Have a financial impact (e.g. new fees, or anything which might affect property value)
- ii. Change to a physical structure or environmental asset that is not already part of a previously agreed and adopted plan or is low level maintenance
- iii. Is a highly emotive local community issue, relevant to SIRA objectives

It is presumed that a "common sense test" applies to determining the above

PROCESS

SIGNIFICANT MATTERS		
Who are Effected	Communication/Consultation Process (These are only the minimum processes)	Decision Making Process
The whole Community	Mandatory: Email to all members and letter mailed to those without email Optional: A Community Forum (General Meeting)	Community-wide Referendum through Survey Monkey (or similar) and mail vote
A sub-group or an individual	Face to face meeting(s), with option to put recommendations to SIRAC	Committee Vote (which MAY accept recommendations)