

Conference Travel & Accommodation Notes

Venue: Thursday 15th - Isle of Mull Hotel, Craignure, Isle of Mull
Friday 16th - Craignure Village Hall, Craignure, Isle of Mull

Accommodation

We have block booked the Isle of Mull Hotel in Craignure for the Thursday night. Please complete and return the Conference Booking Form and we will then reserve you a room. Please ensure that your Booking Form is acknowledged by phone or email.

Links: Hotel: http://www.crerarhotels.com/ourhotels/isle_of_mull_hotel/

Mull: <http://www.holidaymull.co.uk/>

<http://www.mullchamber.org/>

VisitScotland Tourist Information Centre Craignure Tel: 01680 812377

If you have to stay overnight in Oban or on Morvern the following websites may be useful:

Oban: <http://www.oban.org.uk/>

<http://guide.visitscotland.com/>

If staying on Morvern you may have to book accommodation in Lochaline, Strontian or Salen.

There are rooms available at the Isle of Mull Hotel on the Wednesday & Friday nights if required.

Accommodation Costs and Bursaries:

- There is NO CHARGE for this inaugural Scottish Islands Federation Conference, BUT delegates from public organisations or national agencies are expected to reclaim their expenses from their employer / agency. Accommodation at the Isle of Mull Hotel will be charged to these delegates at a special (dinner + B&B) conference rate of **£45**.
- For delegates from community groups or private or social enterprises, bursaries are available to cover transport and accommodation costs, thanks to the support of the conference funders. We regret that meals other than those at the conference are not covered. Please indicate your likely costs on the enclosed application. We have budgeted for several delegates from each island and will allocate on a “first come first served” basis.
- Community Land Trusts or Development Trusts from the islands *in receipt of support or aftercare* from the **HIE Community Land Unit** should be eligible to recover some of their travel and accommodation costs from the CLU. Please fill in the **Bursary Application Form** with your **Conference Booking Form** and send them to us, providing the name and email address of your contact with the CLU. Don't forget to tell them you are traveling to Mull and will need to reclaim assistance from them. We will contact the CLU to confirm your attendance.

Travel details overleaf.....



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Travel :

The main ferry routes to Mull are from Lochaline to Fishnish, and Oban to Craignure.

Lochaline Ferry

The Lochaline ferry runs the same shuttle service on a Thursday and a Friday at approximately 1 to 2 hourly intervals. There is no requirement to book your car, you just turn up and queue. On arrival at Fishnish, disembark and drive to the end of the road from Fishnish to the T junction with the A848. Turn left and the hotel is about 5 miles drive, located on the edge of Craignure village, on the left hand side of the road.

Oban Ferry

Thursday 15th

Depart Oban	Arr. Craignure	Depart Craignure	Arr. Oban
0800	0846	0900	0946
1000	1046	1100	1146
1200	1246	1300	1346
1400	1446	1500	1546
1600	1646	1700	1746

Friday 16th

Depart Oban	Arr. Craignure	Depart Craignure	Arr. Oban
0800	0846	0900	0946
1600	1646	1700	1746
1800	1846	1900	1946



If bringing a car on the Oban route, booking is recommended with CalMac on 0870 5650000 or via www.calmac.co.uk, however as the venue is located close to the ferry terminal you can leave your car in Oban and travel as foot passenger and save the cost of a car ticket.

[**Note!** Free On-Street car parking near the sea front is very limited so be careful where you park. There is some free car parking adjacent to the Tesco's / Retail Park but overnight parking in the Tesco's car park is not permitted.]

The conference on Thursday is held approximately 12 minutes walk from the Craignure ferry terminal at the Isle of Mull Hotel. http://www.crerarhotels.com/ourhotels/isle_of_mull_hotel/

Venues & Transport

- Disembarking from the Oban ferry on Thursday just turn **right** when you leave the pier. There is a pleasant shore-side path or roadside footpath to the hotel (weather permitting!)
- If arriving on Friday morning, the conference venue is the Craignure Village Hall, again about 10 minutes walk from the ferry – just turn **left** when leave the pier.
- A vehicle will meet the ferry services which depart from Oban at 1200, 1400 & 1600hrs on Thursday and the 0800hrs on Friday Morning.
- We will collect your baggage if you wish to walk, or if you would prefer to book transport please indicate on the Booking Form.
- On **Friday**, when the conference moves to the **Craignure Village Hall**, guests are asked to check out of their hotel rooms before leaving for the Hall. Baggage can be taken to the Hall or left securely at the Hotel and delivered to the ferry terminal for 1630 prior to boarding the 1700hrs ferry to Oban.
- Again you have the option of a pleasant walk through the village or taking a shuttle service which will run between the hotel & the village hall between 0830 & 0910, there is no need to book.
- Conference will end in time for delegates to walk to the 1700 sailing to Oban but transport will be available for those who do not wish to walk.

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