

## **KINOCHELVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of Meeting held on 03.12.13 at The Harbour Offices**

**Present:** John Mann (Chairman), Gary Sutherland (Vice Chairman), Murdo Macpherson (Secretary), Christine Mackenzie (Treasurer), Mairi Eastcroft, Angus Ross

**Also Present:** Fiona Donaldson (Community Project Co-ordinator), Alison Sinton (Minutes)

**(1) Apologies**– Hugh Morrison (Highland Councillor), Kirsty Holland

**(2) Minutes of 05.11.13**

The minutes of the meeting held on 05.11.13 were proposed for approval by Angus and seconded by Mairi

**(3) Matters arising from Minutes 05.11.13**

There are still some concerns about the new stretch of road at Laxford. Mairi reported on the Local Health Partnership meeting and said that the members had expressed surprise when she had explained the problems with the ambulance helicopter. Gary spoke about Bond curtailing night landings in Kinlochbervie and is continuing to make enquiries with Bond about possible solutions. The Local Health Partnership is meeting again shortly and will be look into it. Murdo is to liaise with Graham Macleod (Scottish Ambulance Service) about coming to speak at a public meeting. It was decided that the meeting would take place mid January at the high school. John will let Durness and Scourie Community Councils know this is being planned.

**Action John, Murdo and Alison**

**(a) Highland Small Communities Trust**

no further news

**(b) Geopark**

Murdo informed the members that interviews for the two positions will take place before Christmas. The Community Council Development Group will send a representative to discuss the Geopark in Durness with Kevin Crow.

**(c) Core Paths**

No further news

**(d) Brochure**

No further news

**(e) High School Availability**

Ongoing

**(4) Community Project Co-ordinator's Report**

Fiona explained that the Loch Clash development will be in the community's hands in the near future. The Community Company will be free to ask for assistance with the business plan if required. The house in Manse Road will be handed over to the Community Company shortly. Fiona thanked the Community Council for all their hard work.

## (5) Treasurer's Report

Christine gave the balance as £6,653.80 minus £2,842.87 Christmas Lights Fund and minus Brochure Funds of £441.38. Leaving a final balance of £3,369.55. The War Memorial Fund stands at £151.14.

## (6) Correspondence

### Incoming:

- ^ **Ambulance Service Response** – forwarded by email from Gordon Curd
- ^ **Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places** – email from election@highland.gov.uk

### Incoming since last meeting:

- ^ **Census Profiles for Community Councils** – email from [policy6@highland.gov.uk](mailto:policy6@highland.gov.uk)
- ^ **Graham Macleod (Ambulance Service)** – email explaining limitations on discussion at the Public Meeting

### Outgoing since last meeting:

- ^ **Public Meeting in Kinlochbervie** – email invitation to John Thurso
- ^ **Graham Macleod (Ambulance Service)** – email invitation to speak at a public meeting
- ^ **Ambulance Service Public Meeting** – email to Donald Fisher and Kevin Crow informing them of time and venue of the public meeting
- ^ **Graham Macleod** – email from John Mann – Agenda for Public Meeting at Kinlochbervie/Staffing Levels
- ^ **Kinlochbervie Ambulance part time working** – email invitation to Rob Gibson MSP to attend the public meeting

## (7) AOCB

Improvements on the football pitch are moving forward.

Attempts to get a local dentist are ongoing.

There was a discussion on the results of the Census and the declining population in Kinlochbervie.

## (8) Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2014 at 7pm