

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held on 07.10.14 at The Harbour Offices

Present: John Mann (Chairman), Gary Sutherland (Vice Chairman), Christine Mackenzie (Treasurer), Angus Ross, Kirsty Holland

Also Present: Hugh Morrison (Highland Councillor), Alison Sinton (Minutes)

(1) **Apologies** – Murdo Macpherson and Mairi Eastcroft

(2) **Minutes of 02.09.14**

The minutes of the meeting held on 02.09.14 were proposed for approval by Angus and seconded by Gary

(3) **Matters arising from Minutes 02.09.14**

▲ **Laxford** – The Highland Council are awaiting approval of the new signs. Gary to email Garry Smith to ask when this will be done. **Action Gary**

▲ **Ambulance Service** – John handed out copies of his notes to the community council members. These were discussed at some length. John requested that members email him with further thoughts towards a finished draft. Gary is to request under the freedom of information act: days the ambulance was single manned and days laid up due to single crewing. The Health Partnership is also involved in ongoing negotiations. **ACTION ALL**

(a) **Highland Small Communities Trust**

No more news.

(b) **Geopark**

Members have received Murdo's report. There were no questions or comments.

(c) **Core Paths**

No further communications from Sara Harkins or Matt Dent.

(d) **Brochure**

It was decided to look for an amalgamation between the Kinlochbervie brochure and the Geopark brochure..

(e) **High School Availability**

Waiting on a list of Highland Council approved suppliers of equipment.

(f) **Loose livestock**

There has been a complaint about the mess highland cattle are making on the road to Oldshoremore beach. A letter is to be sent out about this to a local landowner. **Action Alison and Murdo**

(4) Treasurer's Report

Christine gave the balance as £6,774.04 minus £3,312.26 Christmas Lights Fund and minus Brochure Funds of £456.38. Leaving a final balance of £3,005.40.

(5) Correspondence

Incoming Since Last Meeting:

- ⤴ **North Scotland Energy Advice Project** – email requesting a letter of support
- ⤴ **Summary Report** – Caithness & Sutherland TEC Services

Outgoing since last meeting:

- ⤴ **Request for progress on Laxford speed signs** -email to Garry Smith
- ⤴ **Andy Mackay** – card from Community Council

(6) AOCB

- * Dog Fouling Campaign – still waiting on dispenser at Loch Clash
- ⤴ Dentist – ongoing
- * Football Pitch – Fundraising expert coming in for playpark as well.
- * Chilled Market – waiting
- * Bus from Lairg – no news
- * Loch Clash Project – ongoing
- * Sandwood – sign to be put in place shortly
- ⤴ North and West Sutherland Trust – ongoing
- ⤴ George Fulton contacted Gary about the picnic benches. Graham Wild requested money for paint. This was agreed to.
- ⤴ The Barnardo's clothes bank will not be continuing. This was discussed and a suggestion made that Blythswood might pick the clothes up if they are left with Home Aid.
- ⤴ The Community Council is to send a card of condolence to Andy Mackay (Ward Manager, Highland Council) in Ullapool on the sad loss of his wife.

(7) Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 4th November 2014 at 7pm