

Kiltearn Community Council



Minutes of Meeting

Held on Tuesday 24th October 2017, 7pm at Diamond Jubilee Hall

PRESENT

Members

Hector Munro (HM) Chairman
Ralph Mercer (RM) Treasurer
John McHardy (JMCH) Secretary
Anne Macdonad (AM)
Cai MacIver (CM)
Shelagh Dennett (SD)

Highland Councillors

Cllr. Mike Finlayson (Cllr. MF)

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Apologies/Welcome	
1.1	Apologies were noted from Michael MacLeod, Cllr. Maxine Smith and Sgt Reid.	
2	Previous Minutes/Matters arising	
2.1	The minutes of the meeting held on 12 September 2017 were agreed, proposed by CM and seconded by AM.	
3	Police Report	
3.1	Apologies were noted from Scottish Police.	
4	Attendance by Gary Urquhart, Roads Officer, Community Services	
4.1	Gary explained his role within the Council and helpfully participated in item 5 (Councillor's Report).	
4.2	Gary confirmed that he was happy to be contacted on issues and that he was happy to attend a future meeting if required. The Chairman thanked him for this and for his attendance.	
5	Councillor's Report.	
	Councillor Mike Finlayson reported on a number of issues (with assistance from Gary Urquhart) including:-	

- 5.1 **Jet Patcher.** The machine which better fills pot holes is due to visit in November.
- 5.2 **Road Resurfacing.** Reported that parts of Livera Street, Balconie Street and the road at the School are due to be resurfaced
- 5.3 **Parking at Sheltered Housing.** Although parking will be looked at there are no plans to tar the area of grass.
- 5.4 **Carpark opposite Cornerstone.** Noted that unlikely to go forward due to cost (likely to be £80,000) and lack of drainage.
- 5.5 **Parking for Wood.** Gary suggested that a polite but firm sign at the entrances may encourage visitors to park closer to the village centre. Agreed that HM and JMCH would discuss with Wood Group. HM
JMCH
- 5.6 **Path between Camden St and Livera St.** Gary offered to consider what could be done to improve the surface. Gary
Urquhart
- 5.7 **Village Officer.** Noted that Fort Augustus, as a community, has employed an Officer as had Invergordon. Agreed to consider in 2018.
- 5.8 **Station Road.** Concerns over parking close to the entrance feature. Gary offered to review. Gary
Urquhart
- 5.9 **Newton Road.** Noted that the surface of the road is breaking up close to the Railway crossing. Gary
Urquhart
- 5.10 **Ward Discretionary Fund.** Noted that monies may be available and agreed that an application would be made for Christmas lights for the Hall. AM
- 5.11 **Bus Shelter.** Noted that some of the wall cladding is missing. Gary
Urquhart
- The Councillor Finlayson and Gary Urquhart were thanked for their update.
- 6 Diamond Jubilee Hall**
- 6.1 AM reported on a number of issues:-
- a) Kitchen has been repainted.
- b) Hall requires a locked cupboard – AM to ask the Nursery Group if they would be able to give up the cupboard they have been using. AM
- c) AM asked if the Stage could be cleared. Agreed that AM would ask the Playgroup if they could find alternative storage for their equipment. AM
- 6.2 It was agreed a paper outlining a possible Management Group would be prepared for discussion prior to the next meeting of the KCC. JMCH

7 Finance.

- 7.1 RM reported on activity highlighting Hall income of £894 during September and that £815 of miscellaneous spend had been incurred on Hall since end of March together with spend of £240 on painting the Kitchen.
- 7.2 It was agreed that Grant applications would be considered separately and reported at the next meeting of KCC.

8 Village Groups

- 8.1 **Evanton Social and Events Group.** AM reported on planned events:-
- a) **Bonfire.** Due to take place on 4 Nov.
 - b) **Winter Festival.** Planned for 9th December.
 - c) **Light up a Light.** DJH 8th December.
 - d) **Football Club House.** Noted that the Group aim to apply for funding to develop the facility. Agreed that Secretary should write a letter of support to the Group.
- 8.2 **Evanton Community Trust.** Simon Hindson, Chairman of ECT, reported on a number of projects and the recent AGM; highlighting the proposal to create a "Community Outdoor Space" which could be developed in partnership with the Scouts and School.

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9 Other Business

- 9.1 **Lights.** It was noted that the Christmas lights should be checked. AM reported that she had received an offer of help to erect the lights. Agreed that AM should discuss with MM.
- 9.2 **Scouts.** A short report and photos of the Scouts trip was passed around. Those present expressed their pleasure in being able to see the positive results of the small grant awarded for camping equipment – well done to the Leaders for their commitment to the Group.
- 9.3 **Toilets.** AM tabled a quoted which offered to supply a factory produced toilet block for £12,000 + vat. Noted that equipment salvaged from the Caravan site toilets could be used to improve the DJ Hall toilets.
- 9.4 **Area of land opposite Cornerstone.** Agreed that the Secretary should contact the owners.
- 9.5 **Next meeting:** Tuesday 12th December 2017, 7pm in the D J Hall.

AM

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There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00.

