# **Kiltearn Community Council**

## **Minutes of Meeting**



## Held on Tuesday 17 May 2018, 7pm at Cornerstone Cafe

### **PRESENT**

Members Hector Munro (HM) Chairman

John McHardy (JMcH) Secretary

Anne Macdonad (AM) Shelagh Dennett (SD) Cai McIver (CM)

Michael MacLeod (MM)

**Highland Councillors** Cllr. Maxine Smith (Cllr MS)

<u>Item</u> <u>Discussion</u> <u>Action</u>

- 1 Apologies/Welcome
- 1.1 Apologies were noted from Cllr. Mike Finlayson, Ralph Mercer and Sgt. Calum Reid.
- 2 Previous Minutes/Matters arising
- 2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 17 April 2018 were agreed, proposed by CM and seconded by MM.
- 2.2 A number of items arising were discussed:-

**Foundation Scotland**. HM reported on a meeting he had attended along with AM and JMcH. It was noted that Foundation Scotland charge a fee of 12% of the capital of any fund managed on behalf of a community. It was agreed not to pursue this further at this point and that HM would confirm such to Foundation Scotland

HM

**Scottish Land Fund.** HM reported on a meeting he, along with AM, JMcH and the Chair of ECT, had had with Paul Harrington, Scottish Land Fund Adviser. In essence the Land Fund is able to assist in funding charitable organisations who seek to purchase land.

**Light at Monument.** AM has reported defective light to street lighting.

**Parking Charges.** Cllr MS confirmed that there were currently no plans to introduce parking charges within the Village.

# 3 Police Report

3.1 A written report provided by Sgt Reid was circulated, noting that Sgt Reid had confirmed that he could be contacted at the Alness Police Station should this be required.

### 4 Diamond Jubilee Hall

- 4.1 Noted that the Open Day was to be held on 26 May and that the final planning for the event will take place on 21 May
- **5 Councillor's Report** (including answers to questions raised).

Councillor Smith reported back/commented on a number of issues including those raised from the floor.

- 5.1 **Vermin.** Reported sightings of rats in the area of the former railway station. Cllr Smith will report to THC.
- 5.2 **D J Hall Bins.** Reported that Bin licences were awaited. Suggested that these should be available from Ross House
- 5.3 **Path between Livera and Camden Street.** Reported that surface is uneven and there is a problem with litter. Accepted that little possible within existing budgets but that it will be raised with THC.

## 6 Village Groups

6.1 **Evanton Social and Events Group.** AM reported on activities undertaken and planned including;

Fyrish Hill Race and Gala – planned for 19 May.

Football Field – reported that the lease should be resolved soon

**WW1 Commemoration** – reported that preparations are ongoing with exhibition planned for 22 – 27 October.

6.2 **Evanton Community Trust.** Simon Hindson (Chairman) reported that the picnic benches are complete (with grateful thanks to Foulis Estate). Also confirmed that the Trust is fundraising through a 100 Club.

## 7 Other Business

- 7.1 **Christmas Lights.** Agreed to consider replacement lights after the 2018 season. ECT and ESEG offered to work together to reach possible costs and sources of funding.
- 7.2 **Sports Hall.** It was reported that Highlife Highland have terminated employment of a caretaker and that there may be a proposal to allow local

groups to use the premises free of charge.

7.3 **Next meeting:** agreed as Tuesday 12th June with AGM starting at 7pm with normal monthly meeting following close of AGM.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.30,