

Kiltearn Community Council

Minutes of Meeting



Held on Tuesday 13 November 2018, 7pm at The Diamond Jubilee Hall

PRESENT

Members

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

Highland Councillors

Cllr. Maxine Smith
Cllr. Pauline Munro
Cllr. Carolyn Wilson

<u>Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Action</u>
1	Apologies/Welcome	
1.1	Apologies were noted from Cllr. Mike Finlayson and Michael MacLeod.	
2	Previous Minutes/Matters arising	
2.1	The minutes of the meeting held on 9 October 2018 were agreed, proposed by AM and seconded by RM.	
2.2	Following noted:-	
	2.2 – Donation to be made to Cornerstone for use of premises.	RM
	7.3 – Grant of £4,500 agreed as contribution to cost of trip (not match funding).	
3	Diamond Jubilee Hall	
3.1	AM reported that she had arranged for the locks on the external doors to be changed following loss of artefacts from the recently held WW1 exhibition (believed to be stolen). Also reported that keys had been given to a number of regular users.	
3.2	AM reported an apparent downturn in bookings and consequently reduced	

income. However, also reported that the Toddler group had become regular users.

3.3 The Secretary read out the contents of an e-mail recently received from the Chairman of the Evanton Community Trust (ECT). In response it was agreed that:-

- The Secretary would seek quotes from 2 solicitors so that KCC could appoint an agent to act for them in the sale of the DJH to ECT.

JMcH

- The offer made by ECT to assist in renovation of the ante-room was appreciated and accepted. Agreed that ECT would be asked to propose a budget for the improvement of the ante-room. CM, SD and JMcH volunteered themselves to assist in the works.

JMcH

- ECT would be provided with a set of keys to access the building.

AM

4 **Police Report**

4.1 The Officers who attended provided a full report on recent events which had come to their attention (all minor)

Concerns were expressed over traffic speed on Swordale Road and parking at the School. Action to be considered by Police.

Police

It was agreed that the Council be asked to provide a visual display of traffic speed for Swordale Road.

JMcH

The Officers were thanked for their attendance.

5 **Finance**

5.1 RM provided a brief update on finance.

Community Grants. RM reported that 4 applications had been received and that more were expected. It was agreed that the Secretary would summarise the applications, once received, and that a meeting would be held on Monday 26 Nov to agree awards prior to the December meeting of KCC.

JMcH

6 **Councillor's Report** (including answers to questions raised).

Councillors Wilson, Munro and Smith reported back on a number of issues including:-

6.1 **Invergordon Bonfire.** A successful event had been held.

6.2 **Parking Charges.** Noted that charges were unlikely to be applied in Evanton but were likely to be applied in Alness and Invergordon. Noted that 50% of revenue generated would be invested within the Community.

- 6.3 **New Chief Executive.** Reported that the recently appointed Chief Exec, Donna Manson, seeks “*down to earth solutions*” and welcomes suggestion from the public.
- 6.4 **Remembrance Service at Academy.** Reported that the event had been memorable for the pupils and staff alike.
- 6.5 **Consultation Event.** Reported that a Council drop in event had been organised for the 15th November.

Cllr Munro, Wilson and Smith were warmly thanked for their attendance and the work they undertake on behalf of the Community.

7 Correspondence.

- 7.1 **Bus Timetable.** KCC were pleased to note that the revised timetable provided additional services to Dingwall. The Chairman congratulated the “Bus Group” for their work in undertaking the survey and promoting the need for additional services.
- 7.2 **Play Equipment.** An e-mail had been received indicating that “unsafe” play equipment would be removed by the Council. Noted that the Skateboard Park would remain with repairs to be undertaken by Evanton Youth Enterprise (EYE)

8 Village Groups

- 8.1 **Evanton Social & Evanton Group.** AM reported on recent activities or those planned including:-
- WW1 Commemoration – well attended and much appreciated by those who had attended.
 - Light up a Life to be held on 14 December.
 - Dance 31 December.
 - Senior Citizen dinner Jan 19.
- 8.2 **Evanton Community Trust.** Noted that an AGM would be held early 2019.

9 Other Business

- 9.1 **Christmas Lights.** Agreed that a budget of between £800 and £1,000 be set for tree lights (white) and that the purchase should be delegated to MM. MM
- 9.2 **Remembrance Service.** Noted that the service should be organised early – KCC to appoint organiser.
- 9.3 **Parent Council.** Noted that the School Parent Council may apply for funding to assist in meeting part of the cost of replacement play equipment.
- 9.5 **Next meeting:** agreed as **Tuesday 11th December 2018**, 7pm at the

Diamond Jubilee Hall.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.00