Kiltearn Community Council

Minutes of Meeting



Held on Tuesday 10 March 2020, 7.00pm at The Diamond Jubilee Hall

PRESENT	
Members	Mandy MacLeman (MM) – Chair for meeting Shelagh Dennett (SD) Treasurer John McHardy (JMcH) Secretary Alpin Macdonald (AM) Celina Peoples (CP) Gary Payne (GP)
Highland Councillors	Cllr. Carolyn Wilson (Cllr CW) Cllr. Michael Finlayson (Cllr MF) Cllr. Maxine Smith (Cllr MS)
Apologies	Cllr. Pauline Munro Cai MacIver (CM) Chairman

Item Discussion

1 Welcome/Apologies

1.1 MM welcomed those in attendance (as Chair due to apologies from CM) which included 4 members of the public and noted apologies as above. Sergeant Mike Gallie, Police Scotland, was welcomed to the meeting.

2 Previous Minutes/Matters arising

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 11 February 2020 were agreed; proposed by SD and seconded by MM with following corrections/points noted;

Item 2 – **Parking Charges**. Noted that the public consultation site now up and running.

Item 6.1 (f) - **Road Surface at Novar Crescent.** Noted that a quote in the sum of £1,500 had been obtained. Agreed to action provided consent of THC (Roads) received and subject to a view on whether KCC could use Benefit Fund (Wind Farm) for such a purpose. Secretary to action.

JMcH

it had been agreed to alter bank access rights. JMcH Noted that Cornerstone project had shortfall of £6,000 and that a further grant application would be invited – approved subject to application. (further noted that Mike Finlayson declared an interest as a trustee of the Cornerstone project) Commented that consideration should be given to use of a high interest bank account. JMcH Copies of the 2018/19 accounts to be circulated. Item 9.1 Teandallon Planning Application. Noted, as per previous minute, that agreement of letter was not unanimous due to AM not supporting but with 4 supporting and JMcH not taking part in discussion. Minutes – agreed that the post Office should be asked if they would be prepared to post minutes on their noticeboard. Also requested that final agreed minutes should be circulated. JMcH **Traffic Speeds** – noted that the previous agreement to fund 2 signs needs urgent action. JMcH Correspondence Cura/Munro Project. Noted an invite had been extended by Sarah Munro to attend the launch event for the project. GP offered to attend (post meeting note GP

Item 8 – **Finance.** Agreed to seek services of a Book Keeper and noted that

3.2 Letter from Alpin Macdonald. Noted that a letter had been received which JMcH would be scanned and circulated.

- event postponed due to current pandemic).

4 **Police Report**

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4.1 Sgt Gallie provided a full report on policing within the Parish, reassuring those present that he would be available to answer any questions and that the 101 number should be used. Noted that parking which caused obstruction can be dealt with by Police Scotland.

5 **Diamond Jubilee Hall**

- 5.1 **Transfer to ECT.** AM expressed opinion that the KCC decision to transfer the Hall was no longer competent given the Membership of the CC had changed.
- 5.2 **Caretaker/Cleaner.** Noted that a single application had been received (Mrs Edith McHardy). JMcH declared and interest, by marriage, and took no part in any decision. The application was welcomed, and it was agreed to appoint Mrs McHardy.

SD/

6 Councillors Report

- 6.1 Cllrs CW, MS & MF invited questions/issues from those present with the following being highlighted/discussed.
 - a) **Carparking Charges.** Confirmed that the consultation was open
 - b) Play Equipment. Noted that additional "old style" timber equipment had been assessed as unsafe and had been/will be removed. Also noted that a single budget of £100,000 had been earmarked for replacement equipment (not only for Evanton). Agreed that consideration to be given to how KCC or housing developers could assist in meeting part of the cost of replacement equipment.
 - c) **Pot Holes.** Noted that the Area Committee will prioritise investment (as part of an allocation of the circa. £20m Highland budget)

The Councillors were thanked for their attendance.

7 Village Groups

- 7.1 CP reported on ESEG activities which included improvements to the Rocks Pitch which was planned to be ready for the start of the season and plans for events to commemorate VE Day.
- 7.2 CP also reported from Evanton Wood Community Co and various events planned, including an Easter Egg hunt and a Dementia friendly programme of activities
- 7.3 MM reported on progress on republishing Catriona Fraser's book which will have a 1st print run of 2,000, increased due to the level of pre-orders.

8 AOCB

- 8.1 **Defibrillation.** Thanks, were recorded to Anne Macdonald who had arranged for maintenance of the equipment located at the Novar Arms and School.
- 8.2 **Christmas Lights.** SD to check that invoices for 2019 had been settled. Agreed that SD would thank Keith for his quote for replacement lights and seek to secure 2 alternative quotes.
- 8.3 **Scott and Co.** A payment to Scott and Co was questioned. SD to look into and update at a future meeting.
- 8.4 **Newsletter.** GP noted that the deadline for articles would be the middle of April.
- 8.5 Notice Board. AM asked that the inside of the Perspex be cleaned. JMcH

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- 8.6 **Next meeting:** agreed as **Tuesday 14th April 2020**, 7pm at the Diamond Jubilee Hall. (*Post meeting note meeting will not take place due to current pandemic.*)
- 8.7 **Closing Remarks.** MM thanked those present for attending

There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.