Kiltearn Community Council

Minutes of Meeting – (MS Teams Meeting)



Held on Tuesday 15 March 2022, 7pm

PRESENT

Members Shelagh Dennett (SD) Treasurer

John McHardy (JMcH) Secretary

Mandy MacLeman (MM) - Chaired Meeting

Celina Peoples (CP)

Highland Councillors Cllr Maxine Smith

Also in attendance 3 members of the Public.

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

1 Apologies/Welcome

1.1 Apologies noted from Cai MacIver, Lynn Bell KCC Bookkeeper, Cllr Michael Finlayson, Cllr Carolyn Wilson, Cllr Pauline Munro and Sgt Gallie of Police Scotland. Noted that Cai MacIver had asked Mandy MacLeman to Chair meeting.

2 Previous Minutes/Matters arising

- 2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 8th February 2022 were agreed following a proposal by MM which was seconded by SD with the following discussed.
- 2.2 **6.1** Noted that a typo had recorded Sgt Gallie as Cllr Gallie. Secretary to JMcH correct.
- 2.3 **5.4. Bus Shelter.** Noted that Gary Urquhart had reported that replacement JMcH panels were ordered and that offer for volunteers to fit had been appreciated but panels yet to be delivered. Secretary to contact Gary.

3 Finance

- 3.1 Noted that updates to the end of February 2022 had been circulated, indicating Balances of £64,506 and £66,767 an increase of £15,975 from January 2022.
- 3.2 Agreed that honorarium to the Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Book Keeper should be paid (for 2020/21 and 2021/220), as follows (per year):-

Chair - £330

Secretary - £330

Treasurer - £302

Book Keeper - £275 (note funded from monies previously allocated to Minute Secretary)

3.3 Agreed that the AGM would be held in June 2022

4 Village Groups

- 4.1 **Evanton Community Trust**. MM reported that the bid to the Place Based Fund for support to provide a public toilet had been successful. Also reported that the Trust had secured support to employ a Development Officer who would concentrate on developing the D J Hall and Toilet but would be available to assist other groups.
- 4.2 **ESEG.** Gary Payne reported that the pavilion is nearing completion and that a "grand opening" was planned.
- 4.3 **Uniformed Groups.** Reported that the Cubs had organised a collection to support those in need in the Ukraine. Noted that the Brownies had an additional leader and that some new members had joined the troupe, also reported that the Guides were well supported and that the Rainbows sought leaders.

5 Feedback from Highland Councillors and questions raised

- 5.1 Noted that the Skiach Café may have closed.
- 5.2 Reported that play areas at Teandallon and Novar Crescent were to be improved with a move towards "active play" features, rather than traditional equipment.
- Reported that it is estimated that a sum of in excess of £2m is required to fill potholes within Tain, Easter Ross and Cromarty Firth Wards and that approx. £700,000 of the circa £5.5m of the Highland budget had been earmarked for the Wards.
- Noted that those who sought to become Members of the Highland Council are required to declare their nomination by 30 March.

Cllr Smith invited further questions and was thanked for her attendance and contributions to the meeting. Councillors not present were thanked for the work they undertake on behalf of Highland communities.

6 Police Report

6.1 A written report was presented. Secretary to copy to Gary Payne.

7 Other Business

7.1 **Speed Sign.** Agreed that KCC would request a quote for the provision of an additional sign on Swordale Road, on the basis that KCC may contribute towards the cost.

JMcH

- 7.2 **Newsletter.** Gary Payne reported that the deadline for articles for the next edition would be end April.
- 7.3 **Meetings.** Agreed that the next meeting would be held by MS Teams with CP recording that she had hoped that the meetings could return to "face to face".
- 7.4 **Parking on Swordale Road.** A concern was raised that works vehicles were blocking passing places. Agreed that the Secretary should contact Scottish Water and the contractor on site at Teandallon.

JMcH

7.5 **Next meeting:** agreed as **Tuesday 19th April 2022** using MS Teams. Secretary to issue invite prior to meeting.

MM thanked those present for their attendance and was thanked for Chairing.