

## **STRUAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council, held in Struan Primary School on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Miss C MacLennan (Chair) Mr A Morrison Mr B Morris Mr G MacKinnon, Mr M N Beaton, Mr K Davies, Mrs H MacLeod & Mr A Lockhart

### **Item 1: Welcome**

Miss C MacLennan took the Chair and welcomed all to the Meeting.

### **Item 2: Apologies for Absence**

Mr I Beaton

### **Item 3: Minutes of Meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016**

Minutes from the meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were put forward to the meeting for approval. Adoption of minutes was proposed by Mr G MacKinnon and seconded by Mr B Morris, duly signed and dated.

### **Item 4: Matters Arising**

#### ***a) Cemetery Sign, Signs in the Community & Road Verges***

Mr A Morrison to progress and report back.

**Action: AM**

#### ***b) Defibrillator Training***

Mr A Morrison is in the process of arranging suitable dates to undertake Refresher Training; hopefully dates will be available shortly.

**Action: AM**

#### ***c) Community Resilience***

Miss C MacLennan confirmed she will take this forward.

**Action: CM**

#### ***d) Adopt a Kiosk***

Miss C MacLennan tabled copies of the Lease Document that has been provided by BT, it was agreed that all should take away, look over and discuss at the next meeting

#### ***e) Play Park & Cemetery Car Park***

Mr A Morrison confirmed that Tender Documents have been issued for the Cemetery Car Park, in addition awaiting up to date responses for the Play Park.

**Action: AM**

### ***f) Post Office Collections***

Mr B Morris advised he had spoken to the Postman regards the collection of mail that is deposited at the new Post Office during the morning opening hours, as the concern was that it would not be collected as Post Office is not open when collections are made by Postman on way to Portree. Mr Morris was advised that the mail is taken to Dunvegan Post Office by Mr Warby after closure of the Post Office in Struan, therefore goes away the following morning.

### **Item 5: Mrs F MacKinnon Retirement**

Miss C MacLennan advised that she had spoken to Mrs MacKinnon regards the Collection within the Community to mark her retirement, due to Neil's present ill health, Mrs MacKinnon would be obliged if the matter could be pushed back at present till matters resolve. Therefore, all agreed that the presentation could be pushed back till possible late May; this would allow the Collection to take place throughout the month of April. Miss C MacLennan advised she had spoken to Helen Urquhart to see if they would be willing to accept donations at Cioch Direct; these could then be passed to Mr B Morris, who will also accept donations by post or by hand. It was agreed that a Flyer be produced for delivery to each home in the Community advising them of the Collection, Miss C MacLennan will arrange for the flyer to be delivered to each home. It was further agreed that the presentation would take place in the School on the basis of an Afternoon Tea with Miss C MacLennan making the presentation, a date and arrangements to be discussed at the next meeting. **Action: CM**

### **Item 6: Old Telephone Exchange**

Mrs H MacLeod presented the Lease Document in favour of the Struan Gala Committee to allow them to lease the Old Telephone Exchange, all agreed the Document was in order and agreed to proceed with the lease, consequently, the Document was signed by Miss C MacLennan on behalf of the Community Council and Mrs H MacLeod on behalf of the Gala Committee, signatures witnessed by Mr K Davies and Mr A Lockhart.

### **Item 7 – Struan School**

It was noted that the Highland Council were recently unsuccessful in their Appeal to have the North West Skye School Close Proposal ratified, therefore, the Schools will now remain open and continue as they are at present. As a consequence, local parents are now petitioning Highland Council to have the Nursery Facility at the School re-opened. It was agreed to write Mr B Alexander, Director of Education requesting his comments, in light of his letter in response to the Community Council last June, Mr A Morrison to write, also copy of letter to go all relevant local representatives.

### **Item 8 – Correspondence**

Highland Council – Insurance Documents  
Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Coin Flyer  
Valuation Office Agency – Bank details advices

### **Item 9 - AOCB**

#### **a) Abandoned Van**

It was noted that the van abandoned at Coillore Lay By remains in place, Mr A Morrison to contact PC Logan for an up date.

#### **b) Highland Council Grant**

Mr B Morris advised that the Annual Grant is overall to be reduced, however, it appears that from the guidelines we will not see a reduction.

**c) Remembrance Map**


Miss H MacLeod suggested that it may be appropriate to display a Map of the local area showing the places where those lost in Wars had lived, along with highlighting local places of interest, all agreed it was worth looking pursuing, Mr M N Beaton was suggested to look into how the map could be laid out, Mr A Morrison to look into the costs of a suitable type of format for displaying. Also, it will likely be necessary to speak to Mr M Harvey at the Planning Dept to see if anything required for siting in the village. **Action: MNB & AM**

Date of next Meeting will be Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Miss MacLennan thanked everyone for their attendance

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.20pm.

  
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