

## **STRUAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

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**Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council, held in Struan Primary School on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May 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 29<sup>th</sup> February 2016 were put forward to the meeting for approval. Adoption of minutes was proposed by Mr K Davies and seconded by Mr B Morris, duly signed and dated.

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

#### ***a) Signs in the Community & Road Verges***

Mr A Morrison advised that although we have pressed the Council regards these matters, it simply appears that finance is the issue, will however e-mail Mr D MacLeod to keep the topic to the fore. Also, it was noted that the rushes on the Hill Road are now starting to cause line of sight issues, agreed to include this in the e-mail to Mr MacLeod

**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 advised that this is to be pushed back and re-visited in the Autumn

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

All agreed after having looked over the Lease that all in order and we should proceed with taking on the lease of the Kiosks, BT will now action the lease and all should be in place in approximately 6 weeks.

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

Mr A Morrison advised that he has only received one response to each Tender to date, as three are required for each prior to submission of an Application to the Trust for funding, he will chase each of the companies who to date have not responded in an effort to move matters forward. **Action: AM**

***f) Struan School***

Mr A Morrison confirmed letter has been sent, as agreed at the last meeting, no response, however, letter appears now to be moot, as recent advert in the West Highland Free Press inviting parents to enrol children in the Nursery at Struan School for the 2016/17 School Year, agreed that at present nothing further required to be done until the outcome of enrolment is concluded.

***g) Abandoned Van***

The abandoned van at the Coillore Lay By has now been removed.

***h) Remembrance Map***

Mr M N Beaton advised that with assistance from Mr K Davies, they have collated a significant amount of information to move matters forward, still a bit more to be done to bring all the information together, they are to speak to a number of community members for some additional information. Thereafter, will obtain quote for the construction of the Map so that it can be sited at the cairn adjacent to the War Memorial at the Green

**Action: MNB & KD**

**Item 5: Mrs F MacKinnon Retirement**

Mr B Morris advised that to date the sum of £890.00 has been donated towards the presentation, Mr Morris also advised that he anticipates further donations to be received over the next couple of weeks, all envelopes were either left at Cioch Direct or sent to Mr Morris, in addition, Mr Morris advised that the first batch of envelopes were opened by checked himself & Mr A Morrison, further envelopes were opened at the meeting. Miss C MacLennan is now to look into the provision of a suitable item to be presented to Mr & Mrs MacKinnon, also, it was agreed that an Afternoon Tea would be arranged for a Saturday afternoon that would suit Mr & Mrs MacKinnon, further discussion regards this to take place in due course. **Action: CM**

**Item 6: Dun Beag Broch**

Mr A Morrison advised that he had been made aware of an issue with the access to Dun Beag by a number of people, it appears that the pathway has fallen into disrepair, due to this a number of people have fallen and on a number of occasions the local Ambulance Crew have been called out to take people to A&E with on the whole ankle problems. Mr Morrison confirmed that a number of years ago the issue was raised and he had contacted Historic Scotland, who advised that they would be inspecting the site and would undertake any necessary improvements, however, appears nothing has been done. Agreed by all that we should again contact Historic Scotland, Mr A Morrison advised he send an e-mail requesting their comments. **Action: AM**

**Item 7 – Community Skips**

It has been mooted within the Community that the loss of the Community Skips that Highland Council at one time provided on a Quarterly basis, has been a significant loss to the Community, therefore, the question has been raised to see if it would be possible for the Community Council to arrange Skips funded by Struan Trust. After discussion, it was agreed to obtain prices for the provision of Skips within the community, agreed to cost 2 Skips on a 4 Monthly basis. Mr A Morrison to obtain quotes. **Action: AM**

## **Item 8 – Correspondence**

Struan Community Trust – Confirmation of funding Application for Grass Cutting  
Portree & Braes CC – Invitation for comments on a Skye Wide CC Forum  
University of the Highlands & Islands Research Review – Bi-lingual Document

## **Item 9 - AOCB**

### **a) NHS Report**

Mrs F MacKinnon has provided a Report on the latest meetings of the NHS Transport & Access Group and the Steering Group Meeting, copies of the Report distributed to all, copy attached to these minutes.

### **b) Ward Forum**

Miss C MacLennan attended the most recent Ward Forum, providing a briefing on matters discussed, usual reports from Police, Fire & Ambulance Services, main topic was Dental Services, a number of issues that require resolution, however, it is believed that with the appointment of additional dentist matters will improve.

### **c) Land adjacent to The Green**

The parcel of ground in front of the Old Free Church Manse adjacent to The Green is unsightly, this has been stated by a number of members of the community, do we know who the ground belongs to, is it Highland Council, if so, can we arrange to have it tidied or cut back. Agreed that Mr A Morrison will e-mail Mr D MacLeod at Highland Council to see if they can confirm if they own and is so can we arrange to have it cleared.

### **d) Ose Township Road**

Mr A Lockhart advised that the road was still full of some significant Pot Holes, can we press Highland Council to do something, Mr A Morrison advised he would include in his e-mail to Mr MacLeod at Highland Council.

### **e) Treasurers Report**

Mr B Morris advised that the Accounts have been completed up to the year end date of 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 in preparation for the AGM in June, these are now to be presented to Accountants for auditing prior to being presented to the AGM, balance at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2016 - £1,488.51.

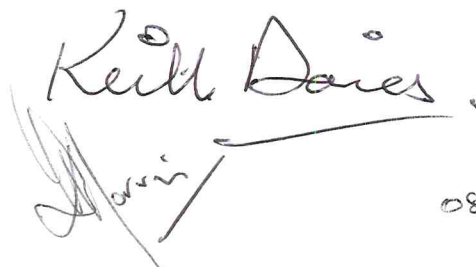
### **f) Grass Cutting**

Mr B Morris advised that the funding for Grass Cutting from the Trust in the sum of £300 had not been fully utilised, a balance remains from last year of £90, it has been mooted that a Picnic Table and Bench overlooking the Jetty in Struan are in need of painting and staining, it was agreed to use the balance of £90 to have this work undertaken.

Date of next Meeting will be Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Miss MacLennan thanked everyone for their attendance

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.30pm.

  
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