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Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council, held in Struan Primary School on Wednesday 14th June 2017 at 7.00pm

Present: Mrs H MacLeod, Miss C MacLennan, Mr A Morrison Mr G MacKinnon, Mr I Beaton, Mr A Lockhart, Mr K Davies, Mr D Beaton, & Mrs C Tindall

Item 1: Welcome

Mrs H MacLeod took the Chair and welcomed all to the Meeting, in particular Mrs C Tindall.

Item 2: Apologies for Absence

Mr M N Beaton

Item 3: Minutes of Meeting of 8th may 2017

Minutes from the meeting of 8th May 2017 were put forward to the meeting for approval. Adoption of minutes was proposed by Mr D Beaton and seconded by Mr A Lockhart, duly signed and dated.

Item 4: Matters Arising

a) Defibrillator Training

Mr A Morrison advised that he is still in the process of trying to arrange a suitable date for the refresher training to be undertaken, appears the best time will be later in the year, September/October/November. **Action: AM**

b) Adopt a Kiosk

Miss C MacLennan advised that as she still awaits receipt of a response from Peter Blair at BT to their last conversation. **Action: CM**

c) Play Park & Cemetery Car Park

Mr A Morrison advised that he now has the 3 Estimates and will be submitting the Grant Application to Struan Trust for the quarter ending 30th June 2017. **Action: AM**

d) Remembrance Map

Mr K Davies advise d that matters ongoing regards plinth for displaying the Map. **Action: MNB**

e) Community Skips

Mr A Morrison advised he having difficulty in obtaining 3 Quotes for Skip due to the fact that General Waste is an issue, but will persevere.

Action: AM

Item 5: Oronsay Signage

Further to previous discussions with Mr D Kennedy at Highland Council regards the signage and our request for a single sign, Mr Kennedy responded to say:

“The signage and locations as suggested fulfil two functions, both discourage visitors inadvertently driving down the access road that Mrs Roberston shares with other residents and the one opposite the hotel also recognises that there is a public right of access down the side of Mrs Robertson’s house, something that Mrs Robertson acknowledges, but which is important to make clear to future residents should the property change hands.

I hope the community council members agree that this would improve visitor management in the area whilst also safeguarding access rights and are happy with the proposals to proceed as originally suggested”

It was agreed to proceed as suggested originally and to conform this to Mr Kennedy, in addition Mr Kennedy confirmed he would arrange for Dog Littering Signs to be attached to the new signage.

In addition, Mrs C Tindall, advised that she was attending the meeting to see what can be done regards Dog Littering in the Community, as she has come across bags of Dog Litter hanging off the fence opposite “Mary Ann’s Bench”, apart from the fact that this is extremely unsightly, it is also a health hazard to livestock that may ingest the bags. It was agreed by all that this is an issue that has been mentioned by a number of people over the past few months, it was agreed to contact Highland Council to see if they can provide Dog Litter Bins for placement in the village and in particular in areas where there are a high number of dog walkers. Mr A Morrison will contact Highland Council for their advices.

Action: AM

Item 6: Public Entertainment License – Fireworks

Mr A Morrison advised that an e-mail had been recently circulated to Community Councils advising that they will require a Public Entertainment License for any Bonfire & Fireworks Events to be held in November, a copy of the Application Form was attached to the e-mail and is lengthy, in addition, will be difficult to complete, therefore, Mr Morrison to speak to Ward Manager re completion.

Action: AM

Item 7: Village Officer/Village Improvements

This matter was discussed at length, a number of things were raised, placing Tubs with Flowers in the village, cutting of bracken on Hill Road to aid vision, up grading of signs in and around the village, it was agreed best to have a full list of improvements set out, then decide how to proceed, all to have a think about prior to the next meeting.

Item 8: Correspondence

Sophie Harding – Regards the condition of the Play Park and request for up- grades

Mr A Morrison to respond & confirm that an Application for funding is to be submitted to Trust for refurbishment

Seafarers UK – Requesting that all CCs fly the Red Ensign on Merchant Navy day 3rd September 2017

All agreed to go ahead and purchase a Red Ensign and fly it from 1st September 2017 to 4th September 2017, as suggested by Seafarers UK.

Item 9: AOCB

a) Cemetery Grass Cutting

A number of members of the CC have been advised of and have themselves been very disappointed with the manner in which the Grass Cutting at the Cemetery has been carried out, flowers decimated, grass cuttings left everywhere, portions missed, after Highland Council having brought the matter back in-house, it was anticipated that the standard of work would improve, to date that has not been the case. It was agreed to contact Highland Council & local Councillor to protest and request that the matter be dealt with immediately.

Action: AM

None

Date of next Meeting will be Monday 4th September 2017

Mrs H MacLeod thanked everyone for their attendance

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Ms. Smith 04/09/17
Keith Davies 04/09/17