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Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council, held in Struan Primary School on Wednesday 30th October 2019 at 7.00pm

Present: Mr A Morrison, Mr G MacKinnon, Mr K Davies, Mr D Beaton, Mr I Beaton & Mr A Lockhart

Item 1: Welcome

Mr I Beaton took the chair and welcomed all to the Meeting.

Item 2: Apologies for Absence

Mrs H MacLeod, Mr M N Beaton, PC S Templeman & Mr R MacDonald (Councillor)

Item 3: Minutes of Meeting of 18th March 2019

Minutes from the meeting of Monday 26th August 2019 were put forward to the meeting for approval; adoption of minutes was proposed by Mr D Beaton & seconded by Mr G MacKinnon duly signed and dated.

Item 4: Matters Arising

a) Community Skips

Mr A Morrison apologised this has not yet been done due to an oversight on his part, will arrange as soon as possible. **Action: AM**

b) Play Park

Mr A Morrison advised matters still ongoing **Action: AM**

c) Broadband

Mr A Morrison tabled a copy of an e-mail he has received from Mr G Semler and from Mr R MacKinnon, the e-mail has come from the Office of Kate Forbes MSP who had written to Openreach's Chief Executive, in broad terms states that the existing Struan Exchange is one of their smaller exchanges & has not been up graded for Fibre, in addition due to availability of funds there are to deploy fibre to Struan within the current programme. However, the e-mail goes on to advise that the main procurement under R100 programme is still underway with Openreach bidding for 3 lots including North of Scotland, the process to be concluded by end of the calendar year, on the basis that Openreach are successful in the North of Scotland Lot covering Struan, they assume that further dialogue about possible deployment can take place via that new programme. Kate Forbes will continue to lobby both the Scottish & UK Governments to ensure Struan is included in the first stage of R100. Agreed to continue to monitor the process & to contact Kate Forbes in early 2020 for up-date on progress of the R100 Bidding process and to ask her to push for Struan's inclusion within the first stage. **Action: AM**

d) Defibrillator Training

Mr A Morrison to obtain suitable dates to allow this to move forward.

Action: AM

e) BT Phone Box

Mr A Morrison will e-mail Miss C MacLennan re the matter.

Action: AM

f) Cemetery Car Park

Mr A Morrison apologised that he has not progressed the matter, advised he would try and do so at the earliest opportunity.

Action: AM

g) Village Improvements

Mr A Morrison confirmed he will chase re the road conditions

Action: AM

Item 5: Tourism Issues

None

Item 6: Speeding

Mr A Morrison advised that he had been contacted by Ms A Dey regards concerns in relation to the speed of vehicles through the village within the 40mph Speed Limit, Ms Dey had contact Mr J Finlayson who suggested that she contact ourselves to assist with her concerns. Mr A Morrison advised that further to e-mailing all re Ms Dey's concerns he has e-mailed our local Police contact PC S Templeman and also Ward Manager & Local Councillor Ronald MacDonald for their advices as to whom to contact with regards to discussing and trying to do something to make the area safer. It was also suggested that we can request different Speed Limit signs that trigger when vehicle approaching showing the Speed Limit, erection of Speed Check signs, reduction of Speed Limit.

Action: AM

Item 7: Scottish Water

Mr A Morrison advised that he had been contacted by a local resident to see if the Community Council would be willing to contact Scottish Water to enquire if they would be willing to extend the Public Water Supply across the causeway to Coillore, in addition in a further twist a Planning Application has just been submitted for a development of 8 Holiday Homes at Coillore, within the Full Planning Application it states that the Water Supply for the houses is to be by way of the Public Water Supply. Therefore, it was agreed to write Scottish Water to see if they have been approached by the Developer and if it is their intention to provide a supple to this Development, this being the case would they be willing to extend the connection to the other house at Coillore if required by the residents. It was agreed to write Scottish Water for their comments.

Action: AM

Item 8: Community Council Elections

Mr A Morrison that he had contacted Mr W MacKinnon, Ward Manager, to find out if sufficient Nomination Forms had been received from Struan to re-constitute the Community Council, Mr MacKinnon advised that 6 Nominations had been received and that the Community Council will be re-constituted, Highland Council will contact all nominees with a date for a meeting to re-constitute, the meeting will initially be chaired by a Highland Council representative.

Item 9: Act of Remembrance

All in place for The Act of Remembrance on Saturday 9th November at the War Memorial commencing 10:45am, Rev D G MacDonald to take the Service, British Legion will provide a Colour Party, Mr D Beaton will do the presenting, Mr P Morrison is available to pipe, Mr R MacKinnon to lay the wreath on behalf of the Community and School will nominate a pupil to lay the wreath on behalf of the Youth of the Community, also, School Parent Council, Staff & Pupils will provide a tea after the Service in the School. In addition on Friday 8th November showing of the Neil Oliver documentary "The Machine Gun & Skye's Band of Brothers" to be shown in the School with tea & coffee served thereafter.

Item 10: Correspondence

None

Item 11: AOCB

Road Signs

The issue of the deteriorating condition of the Road Signs in and around the village along with the Passing Place Signs or lack of was raised, agreed to write Highland Council to see what they can do to rectify the situation.

Action: AM

Date of next Meeting to be advised by Highland Council
Mr I Beaton thanked everyone for their attendance

There being no further business, the Meeting closed at 8.05pm

D. G. Beaton 8.1.20

I. Beaton 8.1.20