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Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council held on 9th June 2021

Present: Mr I Beaton, Mr K Davies, Mr A Morrison, Mr G MacKinnon, Mr A Lockhart & Mrs H MacLeod

1. Welcome

Mr I Beaton opened & welcomed all to the meeting

2. Apologies

Mr D Beaton

3. Minutes of last Meeting

Minutes of the meeting from Monday 22nd March 2021 were put forward to the meeting for approval; adoption was proposed by Mr K Davies and seconded by Mr A Lockhart.

4. Matters Arising

a) Play Park

Mr A Morrison advised matters ongoing.

Action: A Morrison

b) Cemetery Car Park

Mr I Beaton confirmed he & Graham should have 3 Quotes and plan submitting Application to the Trust by end of June.

Action: I Beaton & G MacKinnon

c) Helipad

Mr A Morrison advised he has not had time to move forward to date.

Action: A Morrison

d) Notice Board

Mr G MacKinnon is in the final stages of having quotes ready to go in to the Trust and went over the options so that a final decision could be made, after discussion was agreed for Mr G MacKinnon to proceed as outlined

Action: G MacKinnon

e) Broadband

There still appears to be issues with Phone & Broadband in the area

f) Muirhall – Ullinish Wind Farm

Mr A Morrison was asked if he could approach Ross Jamieson at Muirhall to see if they can provide data from the Meteorological Mast that has been installed at the site

Action: A Morrison

g) Skips

Mr H MacLeod advised that she required to cover up the initial skip with a tarpaulin on Saturday

afternoon as the Skip was full, next one due in the next few weeks. Mr a Morrison advised that he had made an error when agreeing the size of Skip, had asked for quote based on 20 CY but when ordering had requested 25 CY, only became aware when Invoice received, as the initial one was full thought best to carry on with larger Skip at additional cost, Mr Morrison apologised for his error. It was agreed to apply for further funding for 2 more of the larger Skips, Mr Morrison will submit application to the Trust

Action: A Morrison

5. War Memorial

Mr A Morrison advised that Mr M Beaton had been in touch to advise that the Plaques at the War Memorial deteriorated and worn, hence becoming difficult to read, Mr Morrison advised he had taken a look and would agree, therefore, agreed to look into replacing and see if there is a better material that can be used that would last longer, Mr I Beaton advised he would look into and report back, with a view to replacing and requesting funding form the Trust to replace existing. Mr Morrison further advised that bedding plants had been purchased from Skye Shrubs and the re-planting around the War Memorial had been undertaken.

Action: I Beaton

6. Struan Primary School

Mrs H MacLeod advised that at present the Nursery at the School has been mothballed and is presently closed as there are no children of an age in the area who could attend, however, it is understood that there may be a child/children in the area who would shortly be of an age who could attend. It is unclear whether or not the Nursery would and can re-open if the facility was required, it was agreed to write the Education Dept at Highland Council to see if they have any plans on what basis would the Nursery be re-opened.

Action A Morrison

7. Village Improvements & Issues

Mr A Morrison advised that he had e-mailed Highland Council regards the issues with the damage to wall at the Old Cemetery, the damage caused by rabbits at the new cemetery due to the poor condition of the perimeter fence and to confirm who has responsibility for both cemeteries. Mr Kevin Gordon at Highland Council responded to confirm that both cemeteries are the responsibility of the Highland Council, he was unaware of the wall damage and will see if he can make the gap stock proof in the first instance, also, accepted that the fence at the new cemetery requires work and a couple of the concrete posts could do with replacement. I had intimated in my e-mail that if we could we could possibly look to obtain funding form the Trust to carry out repairs etc, Mr Gordon advised that any assistance we could provide would be appreciated, as their budgets are very stretched. After discussion, appears that the issue with obtaining funding form the Trust would be that they are prohibited from funding any project that is the responsibility of the Local Authority, Mr Morrison advised he would e-mail Mr Gordon back to advise that as it stands appears we would be unable to obtain funding, once further response received from Mr Gordon will re-assess the situation.

Action A Morrison & I Beaton

It was also noted that Community Planting has been ongoing throughout the area and has provided some wonderful displays, thanks to all involved for brightening up the road sides.

8. Correspondence

Lochalsh & Skye Housing Association Annual Report
Lochalsh & Skye Housing Association AGM notification

9. AOCB

Planning Application

Mr K Davies advised that he had been asked by concerned residents in the Caroy area to bring up the

Planning Application submitted for the siting of a Catering Caravan in the area, they have advised that the location is from a traffic perspective is dangerous and there are other concerns that have been muted. It was agreed that as both the Applicant and Objectors are all residents the Community Council must be even handed and agreed to input comments requesting that all statutory bodies involved in the decision should take notice of all comments relating to the matter on both sides. Mr A Morrison advised he would undertake

Action: A Morrison

Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 28th July 2021 @ 7,00pm by Zoom

The meeting closed at 8.20pm

Beh 11/8/2021
Mr. All 11/8/2021