

## Struan Community Council

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### **Minutes of the meeting of Struan Community Council held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

Present: SCC- Mr I Beaton, Mr G Semler, Mr D J Morrison, Mrs S Illingworth, Mr N Till, Mr A Lockhart, Mr G MacKinnon & Mr A Morrison

Residents: Mr Wilkinson, Mrs M Wilkinson, Rev J Beaton, Mrs J Beaton, Mr D Till, Mrs F MacKinnon, Mrs P Semler, Mrs M Morrison, Julie Wacker & Simon Frost

#### **1. Welcome**

Mr I Beaton took the chair opened & welcomed all to the meeting.

#### **2. Apologies**

Mr D Miller

#### **3. Minutes of last Meeting**

Minutes of the last meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 were put forward to the meeting for approval, adoption was proposed by Mr N Till and seconded by Mr A Lockhart

#### **4. Matters Arising**

##### ***a) Play Park***

Mr G MacKinnon advised the groundworks have been completed by Sean Morrison, the cost of the Wet Pour has increased by £528, further funding request submitted to Trust to cover the additional cost, seats & picnic bench ordered paid and collection & delivery being arranged by Mr D J Morrison, once received and put in place Wet Pour to be arranged. **Action: Mr G MacKinnon**

##### ***b) Village Improvements***

###### **New Cemetery**

Gates have been delivered and will be hung by Mr I MacPhie with assistance from Mr J MacKinnon, should be undertaken in next couple of weeks

###### **Crash Barrier, The Green, Cemetery Car Park, Dun Beag & Ose Pavements**

Crash Barrier - Advised by HC no suitable signage available to install

The Green – Lengthy discussion as to best course of action, decided that Mr I Beaton & Mr DJ Morrison to work up a specification, then submit to HC for their comments and advices.

Cemetery Car Park – Demarcation line between car park and road in place, although Mr D MacLeod, HC, appears to be pressing for fence around whole site, agreed not to progress at present

Dun Beag Broch - HC have advised works will be undertaken later this Summer

Ose Pavements - HC have advised weedkiller to be spread this year

**c) NW Skye Minibus**

Mr A Morrison to chase confirmation from Mr W MacKinnon at HC, as appears CC could not apply for a Section 19 Permit, after discussion, if required would be best taken on by the new CLG.

**Action: Mr A Morrison**

**d) Struan Gala SCIO**

At present nothing further in respect of the dissolution of the Struan Gala SCIO

**e) CC Bank Account**

Mr A Morrison advised still to address issues in relation to Bank Account, will contact Mr W MacKinnon at HC to see if any possibility of increase in Annual Grant to take into consideration the additional charges being applied by Bank of Scotland, in addition to see if any benefit by doing the banking online as transaction charges may be less. Also, to enquire with RBS on charges for a CC Account

**Action: Mr A Morrison**

**f) SSEN Community Liaison**

Local group requires to be formed, to date has not moved forward

**g) Budhmor Fund**

Mr A Morrison will contact SCT and pass on the details of the Fund

**Action: Mr A Morrison**

**5. Skips**

After discussion was agreed not to order or arrange further Skips at present

**6. War Memorial**

Further to the suggestion by Mr C Beaton's at the last meeting that the CC should make an annual application to the Trust for funding the upkeep of the War Memorial it was agreed that Mr A Lockhart & Mr A Morrison would meet at the War Memorial to discuss a Schedule of Works for repairing/replacing the pathway, re-pointing, correcting the errors on the plaque and reviewing all information, then submit an application to the Trust for funding to have the works undertaken at earliest opportunist.

**Action: Mr A Lockhart & Mr A Morrison**

**7. Struan School License to Occupy**

Agreed after discussion to hold off doing anything at present until hear further from the HC, in addition, awaiting further advices regards the new CLG and the Articles of Association, agreed Mr A Morrison will contact SCT for update on these matters

**Action: Mr A Morrison**

**8. Kaly Kelp Update**

Mr G Semler reported that he is awaiting input from the local fishermen before drafting the SCC response to any planning application that may be submitted by KK.

**Action: Mr G Semler**

**9. Community Action Plan**

Agreed this needs to be progressed, as has been dormant for some time, Mr A Morrison advised had been the intention to hold a meeting post the Community Meeting but due to time and other factors has not progressed, will address late August and arrange meeting with those who had expressed an interest at the time of the meeting along with CC and Trust.

**Action: Mr A Morrison**

## 10. Wind Farms

It was noted that the SSEN Skye Reinforcement Planning Application has just been granted by the Scottish Government.

### Ben Sca Re-Design & Share Ownership

Nothing further at present

### Wind Harvest – Beinn Mheadhonach – Broadband

Nothing further at present

### Glen Ullinish II & Caroy Quay S/E Report

Mr A Morrison advised that the proposed further Quay/Port Consultation was recently postponed and now likely to be held later this year.

Mr A Morrison & Mr G Semler attended the recent in person meeting with Near Neighbours & Muirhall on 20<sup>th</sup> May in the School, Muirhall provided an update on the Project, now set at 33 Turbines, discussed Community Benefit, various opportunities Muirhall see from the funding, did admit was taken from the Struan Community Action Plan as was pointed out to them, Local Energy Discount Scheme, Shared Ownership, Transportation in respect of the development and number of other issues discussed. A meeting arranged for the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> June with Near Neighbours to discuss this meeting and agree smaller group progress Community Benefit & Community Investment.

### Skye Wide Fund

Mr N Till to represent the CC in ongoing discussions regards the Skye Wide Fund Working Group

## 11. Planning

It was noted that the contentious Planning Application for Amer has been withdrawn, agreed the best outcome, however, will need to be aware that a further application could follow and begs the questions regards Neighbour Notification, Mr G Semler to write Councillor Miller to see if the Neighbour Notification process can be improved and made more robust. **Action: Mr G Semler**

## 12. Correspondence

None

## 13. AOCB

### Millenium Project Information Point

Mrs F MacKinnon advised that the stone structure is in need of some remedial works, also the information boards thereon could do with being replaced as are faded and not easy to read, agreed that Mr A Lockhart & Mr A Morrison will visit along with Mrs F MacKinnon to see how best to resolve, Mrs MacKinnon believes she has copies of original text and will bring along for reference.

**Action: Mr A Lockhart & Mr A Morrison**

**Date of Next Meeting on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2025 at 7.00pm in Struan School**

*Mr. Lockhart 12/8/25*  
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