

# BALLACHULISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Meeting held in Jubilee Pavilion on Tuesday 2nd September 2014

Present:- K Smith - Chairman (KeS); S Grant - Vice-Chair (SG); L Scott - Secretary (LS);  
R Malpas (RM); L MacEwan - Treasurer (LME); A Jack (AJ);  
Cllr Andrew Baxter; PC Paige McDonald

Apologies: K Small (KaS); M Chisholm (MC); D Kitson (DK)

1. Minutes of last meeting - Proposed by SG and seconded by RM.
2. National Scenic Area - Still awaiting an update, and have concerns over the lack of communication. Cllr A Baxter going to look into further and let CC know of any update.
3. Police Update - PC Paige explained that her role is a temporary position, which makes it difficult to attend meetings but will try to get cover if she is unavailable. Concerns raised about speeding on road from Abbyfield to croft road via park rd. Residents to be aware of any thing suspicious in the area to let the police know. Paige confirmed that it is a safety issue for school children walking to school. Huge Cycle Race on 12th/13th Sep 800 cyclists passing through A82 to Inverness from Glasgow, also Shinty final that day, locals beware of any travel on these days. Concerns raised about Ballachulish Bridge being resurfaced with no brake down recover option - Cllr A Baxter confirmed Bear confirmed this. Asked Paige if police can speak to Co-op over lack of concern about safety issues in car park, Cllr A Baxter confirmed it is the Coops responsibility and is in their lease.
4. Boatsheds - LY in process of transfer of ownership to CC Company, CC Company looking into grant funding to pay for legal fees.
5. Save Walkway to School - Meeting on the 9th September - will await outcome of meeting and update at next CC meeting in Oct.
6. Co-operative Shop - Still No response from Head Office from previous letter sent by SG/KS. Brown Tourist Board signs need to be moved as directing traffic into exit. Cllr A Baxter confirmed car park is co-op responsibility as in their lease, he also has had no response from Head Office and will try again, KS to get insurance details for notice board, and claim on that for cost of new Community Board.
7. War Memorial - Consultant has submitted his fees for work done and all drawing that will show War Memorial is situ at preferred areas, grant application and ward discretionary budget to be completed to pay for Consultant - with another public meeting to be arranged to confirm details and inform public.
8. Bus Shelter Artwork - Tec Services (HC) will only replace 6 panels and not the whole of the bus stop - CC have to get funding to cover cost of the bottom panels or leave as is, Cllr A Baxter going to look at issue with HC not replacing all panels. Artwork with All Round Signs and on hold until this has been looked into.
9. Christmas Lights - SG costed for new generator, xmas lights, banner lights - costs approved by CC, SG to arrange purchase and check with HC lighting for fixtures and fittings, also Malcom Grant and MC to look at only light to see if they can be fixed for this year. Additional MC to look at getting scaffolding polls for BBQ for Bonfire Night. Also MC to get cover for witches slate before the winter sets in.

10. Recycling point - Cllr Andrew Baxter confirmed sale has gone through and a bit of land has been marked off - this was not brought to the attention of Inverness by Tec in fortwillim - Cllr A Baxter will chase and confirm details asap.
11. Finances - Being Checked at Accountants. Crerar Hotel Trust funding ideas asked for, and Adopt a Basket was suggested, SG going to talk to local hardware store and Garden Centre for their ideas and help with costs.
12. Cycle Path & Flooding on A82 south of roundabout - Getting redone, if not done by October recontact and chase.
13. Speeding - Facebook page - a response for locals to give their comments regarding speeding in the village and what limits residents would like to see around the village.
14. Slate footpath & wall around Jubilee Park - Dot from HC is going to look into further with Tec and ECS.
15. Rotten Tree at West Laroch - Cllr A Baxter to chase to see if local can cut tree down.
16. Citylink Bus Stop - Cllr Andrew Baxter to look into, if the preferred site for war memorial is outside the army hall, to see if the bus stop from there can be moved down to the TIC on the quarry side.
17. Play Park Committee - Meeting to take place after school holidays, SG going to hold meeting at beavers group to try and encourage more parents to join committee. **Ongoing.**
18. Ballachulish Company - No from big lottery funding, looking for more funding applications, a local survey will be carried out next month. Ballachulish Company looking for volunteers to help. Please contact KS for more details.

#### 19. A O C B

- a) Survey from PC Paige McDonald filled out by CC members.
- b) Village Events - Rat Race - have agreed payment with SG - Still waiting payment SG to chase before next event in 10 days time.
- c) Grass in Croft - the paths in the croft are overgrown and needing cut. Linda/Brian to cut paths.
- d) 11 barriers have been lent out and not returned, now replaced. NOTE to all CC members - use of any cc equipment has to be brought to the cc meeting and agreed, no individual member can give permission for use of any cc equipment i.e. BBQ, Metal Barriers, (DK to source a chain and padlock for barriers)
- e) Ballachulish Hotel - Hire of BBQ for the 7th September. LS to check if still needed.
- f) Park Rd - Bushes and Brambles need cut back again - Cllr A Baxter will chase C Kemp.
- g) Arch - Issues with weeds and trees growing - HC need to be chased as they are dealing with it. Cllr A Baxter will chase.
- h) D Campbell to be asked to give quote to look at wall and stones round Ballachulish Slate Monument also quote for shinty path, also Vince to look at the moss/weeds growing over path way, to tidy up.
- i) School Bridge needs repair work carried out, Iain Bruce low to be contacted. SG to chase.
- j) LS resigned as Secretary - will type up minutes and pass to KS - Facebook and Website to be passed to RM.

Next meeting is on Tuesday 7th October 2014.