

BALLACHULISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Meeting held in Jubilee Pavilion on Tuesday 4th August 2015

Present: - K Smith – Chairman (KeS); S Grant – Vice-Chair (SG); K Small (KaS); D Kitson (DK); Sgt Carl Stubbs (CS)

Apologies: M Chisholm (MC).A Jack (AJ); R Malpas (RM); L MacEwan – Treasurer (LME);

1. Minutes of last meeting - Proposed by SG and seconded by KeS.
2. National Scenic Area –Working agreement in place. Projects to be discussed at next NSA meeting in Sept
3. Police. Opportunist crime is being reported in the area. Residents are advised to ensure that sheds etc. are locked when not in use.
4. Boatsheds –We are awaiting the draft transfer of ownership contract for consultation and to take legal advice if necessary once received. Specialist has visited site to appraise buildings in order to attain costs. New avenues for funding to be investigated. Community association to be consulted. Kerry Hawthorn Has identified a route for funding (Architectural heritage fund). Boatsheds are now on the building at risk register. Kerry Hawthorn to be chased for a progress report.
5. Co-operative Shop – Entrance & Exit signs to be chased. Notice board ongoing
6. War Memorial –Public meeting to be arranged very soon to confirm details and inform public. Meeting to be arranged after hydro vote.
7. Christmas Lights –Preparation for Xmas 2015 lights started. Existing lights to be repaired if needed. Witches' slate ongoing.
8. Recycling point –Awaiting recycling bins to be re located. (Ongoing)
9. Finances – Finances submitted. Need to look into community challenge fund for firework funding..
10. Cycle Path & Flooding on A82 south of roundabout – Getting redone, Finances in place for work which will start Nov / Dec. confirm with bob Mitchell.
11. Citylink Bus Stop - AB 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. Shelter is in the queue for funding but it was noted that 30 other sites are also in the queue. Ongoing
12. Play Park Committee – Meeting has taken place and 16 names put forward for committee. Next meeting sept
13. Ballachulish Company – Notice of community ballot. All are asked to vote on hydro scheme.

14. A O C B

- a) Arch - Issues with weeds and trees growing –funding is now in place. Awaiting result. Costings to be questioned.
- b) School Bridge needs repair work carried out, Iain Bruce low to be contacted. SG to chase. Materials on site, awaiting better weather. (Ongoing)
- c) The pathway was washed away again in the floods. Tec services to be asked for a solution. Scottish Water to be contacted. Ongoing A land search is to be insisted on as to who owns what.
- d) Firework display will celebrate 10 years this year. Ideas for this event welcome. Ballachulish Bridge celebrates its 40th anniversary this year also. Suggestions to tie the 2 events together. Start time to be based on bus arrival times from Kinlochleven & Fort William. Volunteer stewards required. Please contact Council for more information.
- e) Photo albums of old photos of the village have gone missing from doctor's surgery. Anyone with information please contact Council.
- f) Village Road re surfacing has been finished. Many complaints received regarding state of final dressing.
- g) June 20/21 Clean up in quarry suggested. Postponed due to wildlife issues. 19/20 Sept suggested as new date.
- h) Data protection to be done for Council (DK)
- i) Minutes to be put on website. (RM)

Next meeting 1/9/2015

All are welcome