

BALLACHULISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Draft Minutes of Meeting held in Jubilee Pavilion on Tuesday 1st July 2014

Present:- K Smith - Chairman (KeS); S Grant - Vice-Chair (SG); L MacEwan - Treasurer (LME);
A Jack (AJ); K Small (KaS); R Malpas (RM); Cllr Andrew Baxter

Apologies: L Scott - Secretary (LS); M Chisholm (MC); D Kitson (DK)

1. Minutes of last meeting - Proposed by AJ and seconded by KaS.
2. School Eco Group - Nice to see such a committed group attend our meeting. Ideas for a plaque at the underpass to try and stop the vandalism, agreed a cheque for the planter to the value of £52.00.
3. National Scenic Area - Awaiting information on the makeup of the Steering Group and how it will represent the different communities involved. The involvement of Community Councillors on the Steering Group from each area would be a necessity to raise their local demands.
4. Police Update - As reported 1 Drink Driver and speeding drivers tickets issued this month. Kentallen traveler site broken into again positive line of enquires. We would like to contact PC Paige MacDonald prior to our meeting to get an update and raise any issues to allow sometime for a response to be given. We fully acknowledge the pressure on the Police Officers in the area, where their work commitments has not allowed them to attend our meetings. We would appreciate a personal presence at our meeting whenever possible to allow us to carry on our ongoing good working relationship.
5. Boatsheds - Mr L Young has not yet lodged his transfer of ownership to the Community Company. We await his notice and will discuss any conditions and details in conjunction with the Boatshed Association to keep them informed of any progress. A public meeting will have to be held to gain the villagers thoughts and input into what they would like to happen in the whole area. A detailed schedule and planned future for the viable use of the amenities would be good starting point with the option of different funding being available.
6. Save Walkway to School - Safe Route to School Awaiting confirmation form Rona re the routes that have been selected. Contact Mr Brian Murphy to see what funding is available and do a staged development until the whole pathways have been completed. Contacted Mr I Brown re the pathway inside the Jubilee Park for the committee discussion.
7. Co-operative Shop - No movement on signage of the parking spaces, central line on roadway, entrance or exit marked. Central shrubs on parking areas causing issues with the cars parking further away from kerbs causing problems. No further forward re the Notice Board this has already been discussed and passed. The Notice Board to be of the same specification as the damaged Notice Board as the Old COOP. Concerns with the lack of response from the local manager or Manchester Office will contact both again. Comment from Local Councillor Mr A Baxter he has written with no response.
8. War Memorial - War Memorial KS to Contact the various people to get a definite date for next meeting to allow for future grant application paperwork to be completed. **Ongoing**
9. Bus Shelter Artwork - Agreed artwork will all be in black/white due to cost implications. Awaiting delivery of panels to Allround Signs from Tec Services (HC). Artwork with all-round signs.
10. Christmas Lights - SG to contact Andrew to renew Pea light cables when he is home. To discuss use of cherry picker to see if it would reach into Park for new lights ask MC.

11. Recycling point - Recycling Point Matter raised with Cameron Kemp, Andrew Baxter and KS on walk about. AS far as CC concerned this has been all agreed as minutes stated previously this has not been passed onto Inverness Waste Management Directors by Fort William Depot. Mr A Baxter to keep on and chase up on our behalf.
12. Finances - Finances Up date given by Linda Mac Ewan.
13. Cycle Path & Flooding on A82 south of roundabout - Cycle path & Flooding on A 82. Response from Mr Bob Mitchell confirmed by Mr A Baxter survey work has been done and it is in this year budget for repairs.
14. Speeding - Speeding KS spoke to Mrs Pauline Donaldson under the impression the CC was going to purchase signage ourselves. We have no budget for signage, we should have a petition. Notice board in the COOP to gain the villagers thoughts on the matter should the whole village be 20mph or just sections. Dependent on the village outcome it would help the cause one way or another.
15. Slate footpath & wall around Jubilee Park - Mr Cameron Kemp to allow for a top coat of blinding to be rolled and not made up to a adoptive standard. The funding available is £ 7000 for the works and future maintenance of the path way. Condition of slate wall and other walls are to be investigated. Play area in Jubilee to be upgraded with Community funding Mr Cameron Kemp aware of situation Shirley and Ian to discuss way forward.
16. Rotten Tree at West Laroch & Witches Slate Path - Scots pine in garden of No 28 not responsibility of Housing Dept owners responsible Tree may have a order already, Tree between the buildings on the left could be on private ground owner to be contacted Mr L Young to confirm details. Witch slate path overgrown with hedges making it difficult to pass safely contact council officer to deal with this matter again. MC to make cover for slate.
17. Citylink Bus Stop - Bus stop City Link at Quarry Café Mr Cameron Kemp knows the situation solution to be a Bus Shelter between Assyant House and Quarry Café. Look at the quarry side to see if it would be possible to create an opening to allow for a bus to pull off the roadway. The need for access into the quarry from rear of the proposed pull in point was raised at the time.
18. Play Park Committee - **Ongoing**
19. Ballachulish Company - Initial survey has been done and there is funding for the second stage. A public meeting to be arranged for Development and Community Consultation.
20. A O C B
 - a) Safe routes to school. SG to speak to Jubilee park committee about path in Jubilee as there is a grant available.
 - b) Village Events - Rat Race - SG to contact Greg MacDonald about payment.
 - c) Grass in Croft - the paths in the croft are overgrown and needing cut. Linda/Brian to cut paths.
 - d) BBQ - both the Shinty and Scout to hire BBQ for up an coming event. BBQ have to be check by KS
 - e) Co-op - more complaints about the carpark at the Co-op. People cannot see with all the bushes and tree.
 - f) Signs - RM showed us signs that the Village Hall have purchases for events, do we want to purchase them for the Fireworks
 - g) Bottle bank - concerns over the rubbish left at the bottle bank area and the bottle bankers are full CC to telephone tec services to uplift.
 - h) Community Fund for upkeep of Village - Discussion about the new funding for cutting the grass etc in the Village for the next two years CC to look into it.

Next meeting is on Tuesday 1st July 2014.