

BALLACHULISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held in Jubilee Pavilion on Tuesday 5 March 2013

Present:- S Grant - Vice-Chair (SG); T Whyte - Secretary (TW); S Borland - Treasurer (SB); M Chisholm (MC); A Jack (AJ); L Scott (LS); K Small (KaS); K Smith (KeS)

Apologies:- M MacAskill - Chairman (MMA);; Cllr A Baxter; Cllr T MacLennan; Police

1. Minutes of last meeting - Proposed by SB and seconded by AJ.
2. Alternative to New Co-operative Shop & Public Car Park at Village Hall - ongoing.
3. War Memorial Jubilee Stone - ongoing.
4. Bus Shelter Artwork - ongoing.
5. Storage Container - Barbeques are undercover.
6. Recycling point - Information & map received from Cllr Baxter. ACTION - Office bearers to prepare report for Community Company about interest in both East & West quarries.
7. Bonfire / Fireworks night - Date set for Saturday 9 November 2013. ACTION - KaS to book the village hall.
8. Finances - The treasurer presented the financial report.
9. Boatsheds - Concerns were raised about slate being removed from the boatsheds. ACTION - SG to report to police.
10. Cycle Path & Flooding on A82 south of roundabout - Cllr MacLennan has been in touch with Bob Mitchell (Transport Scotland) who has said he is aware of the issue. Cllr MacLennan will follow up in a few weeks time. Sustrans is to hold a joint community council meeting in early April to discuss the current status of the Oban to Fort William cycle path. ACTION - SG & KaS to attend.
11. Speeding- Highland Council carried out a speed survey at West Laroch. The survey reported that traffic was adhering to the 30mph speed limit. Another speed survey is planned for Albert Road.
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 - a) Slate footpath inside wall of Jubilee Park - SG has spoken to the school about accessing funding via Disability Access Route and Safer Routes to School. Cllr MacLennan has also raised the issue at Highland Council.
 - b) Litter Pick - to take place first week in May. ACTION - KaS to contact TEC services and Keep Scotland Tidy for supplies
 - c) Senior Citizens Christmas Party - Donation proposed by SG and seconded by MC for party this year.
 - d) One-off donation to help with set-up costs of the 4th Lochaber Scouts in Ballachulish Village Hall for 5½ to 14 years olds - ongoing.
 - e) Green Highland Energy - ongoing.

- f) Red Kite Presentation re Nevis & Glencoe - Minutes received for ASLCC meeting on 11 February 2013. Next meeting to discuss Red Kite Report is on 20 March 2013 at the Council Chambers, Fort William at 6pm. Two community councillors to attend.
- g) Community Resilience Planning - Highland Council are hosting a drop-in exhibition on 18 April 2013 from 3pm to 7pm in the Council Chambers, Fort William. Representatives from all the emergency services will be present. The aim is to enable communities to be better placed to look after themselves until statutory and other agencies can respond in emergencies.
- h) Dog fouling - specific times and incidents to be reported to the Dog Warden.
- i) Primary School Eco Project - ACTION - KaS to speak to primary school about possibility of collecting milk carton tops for fundraising.
- j) Christmas Lights - MC reported that new Christmas lights have poor fittings for attaching to lamp posts. ACTION - MC to contact HC Lighting Dept.
- k) Concerns were raised about tree at West Laroch beside the white cottages that is dead and has branches falling off. ACTION - LS to contact HC TEC Services.
- l) Report from Community Safety Action Team to be circulated to community councillors. ACTION - TW.
- m) It was noted that Scotland's national public information notices website allows public notices from across the country to be published in a single location. It is called 'Tell Me Scotland' and details can be found at:
<https://knowledgehub.local.gov.uk/group/scottishpublicinformationnoticesportalcommunity>.
- n) LS proposed and AJ seconded the renewal of membership of the Outdoor Capital of the UK.

Next meeting is on Tuesday 2 April 2013.