

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting 20th November 2018 at The Harbour Offices

PRESENT: Graham Wild (Chair), Kirsty Holland, Christine Mackenzie, Murdo Macpherson, Margaret Meek, Gary Sutherland, Maaïke Silcock (Minutes)

1. **APOLOGIES:** Hugh Morrison, Mairi Eastcroft,

2. **MINUTES 30th October 2018**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 30th October 2018 were proposed for approval by Margaret and seconded by Murdo. The minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 30th October 2018**

3.1 SNH replied to Graham about the Skunk Cabbage. The Technical advisor, Reuben Brown (reuben.brown@highland.gov.uk) will get in touch with Graham to discuss the Skunk Cabbage.

3.2 Graham will speak to Graham Mackenzie of the Highland Council Roads about the ditch outside Mairi Eastcroft's house.

3.3 There has been no response to any of the correspondence about the Toilets. However, they do seem to make time to discuss them when local communities indicate an interest in taking on the toilets themselves!

The Harbour toilets are workplace toilets and should never have been closed.

3.4 Donna Manson, the CEO of Highland Council, is coming to Kinlochbervie on behalf of the Highland Council to discuss the toilets and waste disposal, amongst other issues. She will be here at 9am for about 45 minutes.

3.5 The suggestion was made that the Loch Clash Stop-over be expanded to include the flat, grassy pick-nick site at Loch Clash and that a notice should be put up asking camper-vans to pay a donation at the Spar.

4. **Sallachy Wind Farm**

Of the revenue that the Wind Farm will bring in, 25% of it will be divided between KLB, Scourie and Durness. (8.33% each). The money will go into a fund the purpose of which is still to be discussed. The Farm is provisionally up and running in late 2020.

5. WORKS PRIORITIES FOR 2018

Graham will contact Hugh for any updates. It has been noticed that pot holes have been patched up in certain areas.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

The bank balance is £6,158.48, of which:

- 1) Christmas Lights fund has £3652.39. An invoice for these is expected.
- 2) Brochure fund has £456.38.
- 3) War Memorial Fund has £439.00. This year's wreath is paid for.
A new flag will be needed
- 4) Community Council has £2049.71

The community company could fund a 'Poppy Light' for next year.

6.2) This year's Poppy Appeal raised £728.00, £528.00 of which went to Poppy Scotland. £200.00 was retained for a Remembrance Bench. The £200.00 may not cover all the costs and prices will be discussed at the next meeting.

6.3) Andrea will take the two wreaths with individual names on the poppies to the Strathnaver Museum, and Graham??? Will write a letter of thanks to the Museum for this wonderful memorial.

7. POLICE REPORT

P.C. Frazer Mitchell has been away and will attend meetings when he can.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

In the Press and Journal there was an article about a planning issue.

Graham will contact the Osbornes regarding the Oldshoremore developments. The Highland Council Planners are scheduled to visit the site.

9. AOCB

9.1 The KLB CC and community want to thank Gary Sutherland for all his work and the service he has given to the community as he has decided to leave the Community Council.

Murdo will place adverts to advertise a vacancy for a new Council Member.

9.2 Workshops on "Democracy Matters" were run in Torridon and Assynt, but not in KLB. The nearest one to KLB was in Lochinver. Margaret will be attending the one in Inverness on the 28th November.

9.3 The Planning Bill Amendment 322 for Wildlands was NOT passed.

9.4 One of the swings in the Play Park was deemed unsafe by the safety inspector, so Christine will organise its removal.

9.5 The new Air Ambulance landing site has not been finalised.

9.6 Application for a guard rail on Big Brae has not been responded to. Graham Mackenzie will apply again to someone higher up in Highland Council.

9.7 The AGM for the Geopark is at the Rock Stop on 1st December at 12.00 noon.

10. **NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 29th January 2019** at 7:00 pm in the Harbour Offices.

SUMMARY LIST OF ACTIONS FROM MEETING 25th September 2018

	Action	Who?	Completed /Ongoing
3.1	Graham to speak to Reuben Brown about Skunk Cabbage	Graham	Ongoing
3.2	Contact Graham Mackenzie about the ditch outside Mairi Eastcroft.	Graham	Ongoing
5	Check with Hugh for works update	Graham	Ongoing
6.3	Thank you letter to Strathnaver Museum	Graham	ongoing
8	Speak to the Osbornes about the Oldshoremore development	Graham	ongoing
9.1	Advertise for new Council Member	Murdo	Ongoing
9.4	Remove the unsafe swing from the Play Park	Christine	Ongoing