

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting 5th March 2019 at The Harbour Offices

PRESENT: Graham Wild (Chair), Christine Mackenzie, Murdo Macpherson, Mairi Eastcroft, Hugh Morrison, Maaike Silcock (Minutes)

1. **APOLOGIES:** Kirsty Holland, Margaret Meek, Andrea Boyes

2. **MINUTES 20th November 2018**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 12th February 2019 were proposed for approval by Christine and seconded by Murdo. The minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 12th February 2019.**

3.1 No further developments with regards to the control of the Skunk Cabbage (as last month).

3.2 Graham to contact Tracy Urray about the ditch outside Mairi Eastcroft (as last month).

4. **WORKS PRIORITIES FOR 2019**

4.1 Highland Council have been given £1.5 million in the Budget for its roads, £240,000 of which has been allocated to Sutherland.

4.2 Graham Mackenzie is off sick, probably until the end of March. The new, temporary, Area Roads Manager for Caithness and Sutherland is Joanna Sutherland.

4.3 The White Lining Machine will be coming to KLB this year and will concentrate on Junctions and Arrows.

4.4 Hugh Morrison will look into taking the Christmas Lights down. The Highland Council have indicated that it would cost £750, so the KLB CC will try to find someone else who would take them down for considerably less.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

- 5.1 Graham will speak to David Forbes about ordering some more signs to help the tourists drive safely, especially on the single-track roads. Graham will contact the Ward Discretionary Budget for funding the signs.
- 5.2 The Kinlochbervie Community Council now has to organise its own insurance. Christine will organise this through Zurich Insurance, who have done it in the past.

6. POLICE REPORT

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

7. CORRESPONDENCE

- 7.1 The proposed new Air Ambulance Landing Sites at Scourie and Durness will most likely be suitable.
- 7.2 The Planning Department at Highland Council have sent a request for comments on the most recent application made by Alexander Munro. Murdo will write a letter and send it with the approval of the rest of the KLB CC.
- 7.3 Matthew Bilinge will write to Highland Council Planning on behalf of the Oldshoremore Residents relaying their issues.
- 7.4 Every four years there are Community Council elections, and this year they are coming up again. If there are more than eight candidates, the whole community can vote.
- 7.5 On the 28th March there is the KLB Locality Group Meeting. Phil Tomalin has sent 2 reports on Locality Plans, but the general opinion is that they will not work for Kinlochbervie. KLB will write its own Locality Plan.

8. AOCB

- 8.1 The Geopark now has a dedicated Chairman – Michael Simpson from Betty Hill. The Geopark has hired a fundraiser and, so far, they have found more funding than just covering costs! But there is too much to do for the staff that are there at present, so adverts have gone out for another person for administration and fund raising.
In May, the Geopark will be revalidated as a Geopark.
- 8.2 The Hydro scheme has been given planning permission at the water station. This will involve a pipe being laid close to the pipe already in existence for the water supply. Money made from this development will benefit the Community.
- 8.3 Graham will speak to William Gilfinnan regarding the re-opening of the KLB toilets, by the Fisherman's Mission.
- 8.4 There is the possibility that the Rhiconich toilets will have seasonal opening.

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

SUMMARY LIST OF ACTIONS FROM MEETING 5th March 2019

	Action	Who?	Completed /Ongoing
3.1	Graham to speak to Reuben Brown about Skunk Cabbage	Graham	Ongoing
3.2	Contact Tracy Urray about the ditch outside Mairi Eastcroft.	Graham	Ongoing
4.4	Look into taking Christmas lights down	Hugh	Ongoing
5.1	Contact David Forbes about signs	Graham	Ongoing
5.2	Organise Insurance for KLB CC	Christine	Ongoing
8.3	Contact William Gilfinnan about re-opening KLB toilets.	Graham	Ongoing