

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting 7th May 2019 at The Harbour Offices

PRESENT: Graham Wild (Chair), Kirsty Holland, Murdo Macpherson, Margaret Meek, Hugh Morrison, Maaike Silcock (Minutes)

1. **APOLOGIES:** Mairi Eastcroft, Andrea Boyes, Christine MacKenzie

2. **MINUTES of the 5th March 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on the 5th March 2019 were proposed for approval by Murdo and seconded by Graham. The minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 5th March 2019**

3.1 No further developments with regards to the control of the Skunk Cabbage, Graham will treat it as a priority to try and get it sorted and treated.

4. **WORKS PRIORITIES FOR 2019**

4.1 Graham Mackenzie has now retired. The new, temporary, Area Roads Manager for Caithness and Sutherland is Joanna Sutherland.

4.2 The White Lining Machine ran out of gas for but was sent to Thurso to get it as it was a few pence cheaper there than in KLB, wasting hours in travel time and fuel. The reasoning behind this is being discussed!

4.3 The Fire Brigade took all the Christmas Lights down. It was suggested that they be contacted when the time comes to put them up again.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

5.1 The balance is little changed from the previous meeting.

5.2 Graham spoke to David Forbes about the additional signs he has put up. It is anticipated that the Discretionary Fund (which has £16000 in its account) will contribute to the payment for the signs.

6. POLICE REPORT

P.C. Frazer Mitchell will attend meetings when he can.

6.1 Police have recently stopped a group of 12 sports cars exceeding the speed limit.

6.2 Neil MacDonald, Chairman of the Scourie CC has requested more Police presence in Scourie to enforce the speed limits. Graham will contact the Police Inspector at Dingwall for the same reason for Kinlochbervie.

6.3 Graham and Murdo will contact the Transport Manager of the NC500 Facebook page about the bad driving that is going on through the NW Corner Villages.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Graham will contact the Planning Office to find out the latest decisions on the Oldshoremore Development. Letters of objection were sent by the KLB CC, saying that they could not support the planning applications.

7.2 On 3rd September it is Merchant Navy Day and KLB CC has been asked if they would fly the Red Ensign in its honour.

Graham will contact Nick Harvey, the Campaign's Manager, to see if he can supply one.

8. AOCB

8.1 The Remembrance Bench will cost £649.80 inc.VAT. £200 has been raised so far, the KLB Community Company and the KLB Community Council will split and make up the difference.

Kirsty will discuss with Christine if the VAT can be reclaimed.

8.2 Graham will bring in the special tool to open the Geopod Noticeboard for Murdo.

8.3 The Durness Toilets belong to the Landlord, and they are trying to lease them out. Hugh Morrison will discuss with Andy Summers about how best to get them re-opened and cleaned.

8.4 The Kyleskue toilets are open as they belong to the Grazing Committee. Highland Council therefore cannot sell them!

8.4 Rhiconich toilets are now repaired.

8.5 KLB toilets are open and Margaret has made signs to indicate which is the Men's and which is the Ladies toilet.

9. **NEXT MEETING** - The next meeting and **AGM** (before the CC meeting) will be held on **Tuesday 11th June 2019** at 7:00 pm in the Harbour Offices.

SUMMARY LIST OF ACTIONS FROM MEETING 7th May 2019

	Action	Who?	Completed /Ongoing
3.1	Graham to speak to Reuben Brown about Skunk Cabbage	Graham	Ongoing
6.2	Contact Inspector at Dingwall	Graham	Ongoing
6.3	Speak to NC500 transport Manager	Graham/Murdo	Ongoing
7.1	Get update for Oldshoremore	Graham	Ongoing
7.2	Contact Nick Harvey re. red ensign	Graham	Ongoing
8.1	Reclaim VAT on Remembrance bench	Kirsty/Christine	Ongoing
8.2	Bring tool to open Geopod notice board for Murdo	Graham	Ongoing