

KINLOCHBERVIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting 29th October 2019

at The Harbour Offices

PRESENT: Graham Wild (Chair), Kirsty Holland, Christine MacKenzie, Margaret Meek, Murdo Macpherson, Sandra Armes-Harris, Mairi Eastcroft, Maaike Silcock (Minutes),

1. **APOLOGIES:** Andrea Boyes

2. **MINUTES of the 24th September 2019**

Two amendments were made to the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th September 2019.

Item 3.5, Alexander Munro's application for a café is still being considered. Planning has NOT been approved.

Item 3.12, one of the gritter lorry drivers is NOT retiring, he has taken up the position as Assistant Harbour Master.

The minutes were proposed by Graham and seconded by Christine.

The minutes were approved.

3. **MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 24th September 2019**

3.1 Having discussed the potential problems with having the electric hook-up at the Village Hall, Sandra was happy for it to be located by the public toilets at the Harbour.

3.2 The Pavements, overgrown with Gorse and Brambles need to be cut back. Graham will speak to Hugh to see when this might be done.

3.3 Graham will contact Hugh to find out who the new Area Manager at Highland Council is to replace Joanne Sutherland. Murdo will then re-send a letter to them, asking for a barrier to be placed along the edge of Big Brae to prevent further accidents.

3.4 Graham and Murdo will bolt the picnic benches at Loch Clash to the concrete slab. This will hopefully prevent campervans from monopolising the picnic area, preventing others from using it for what it was intended; having a picnic. It has been noticed that the 'campervan season' is getting longer and local residents are not happy with campervans having extended stays so close to their homes. Graham will try to find out exactly what the minimum distance is that campers have to be from private property boundaries. However, many campervan holiday makers have mentioned how happy they are that the Loch Clash Hook-up is still open, as many campsites are already closed for the winter.

3.5 The Phase-Two of the Loch Clash development is still waiting for Planning Permission.

3.6 There has been a bit of a delay in the delivery of the 'Poppy Bench'. A provisional arrival date is the 2nd December 2019.

4. WORKS PRIORITIES FOR 2019

Nothing to report.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Kinlochbervie Community Council bank balance is...£1032.18

The Christmas Lights fund stands at.....£3824.77

The Brochure fund has.....£456.38

The War Memorial Wreath fund.....£300.00,

6. POLICE REPORT

No Police Report.

Officers from Ullapool and Lochinver have been in the area while PC Frazer Mitchell is on annual leave.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Two 25m high telecommunication masts (4G) have been approved; one at Oldshoremore and one at Portlevorchie.

7.2 Steven Gorman of the Scottish Ambulance Service has sent a letter explaining that they are acquiring another helicopter which has the capability to land in the dark at the Scourie and Durness Helipads. The Helipad at Kinlochbervie will only be used in daylight, and only at the pilot's digression.

8. AOCB

8.1 All existing KLB Council Members have submitted their applications for the Council Elections

8.2 Members of the community have asked the Council to contact the Durness Bus Company so they can clarify the bus timetable, and if it is possible for the Inverness Train to be met at Lairg by the Durness Bus on Fridays.

Graham will speak to Neal and Sarah Fuller for some details.

9. NEXT MEETING - The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 26th November 2019** at 7:00 pm in the Harbour Offices. This date may change depending on correspondence from Highland Council.

SUMMARY LIST OF ACTIONS FROM MEETING 24th September 2019

	Action	Who?	Completed /Ongoing
3.2	Inquire when someone would be Cutting back the gorse and brambles.	Hugh	ongoing
3.3	Find out name of new Area Manager at Highland Council.	Graham	ongoing
3.4	Find out minimum distance campervans need to be from private property.	Graham	ongoing
8.2	Speak to Neal and Sarah Fuller about bus timetable	Graham	ongoing