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**KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of Meeting held at 19:15 on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2012, at Kilmallie Hall

**Present**

- **Kilmallie Community Council**
- Christine Hutchison
- Mandy Ketchin
- Russell Leaper
- Maggie Mackenzie (Chair)
- Jan MacLugash
- Kshama Wilmington
- **Highland Councillors**
- Bill Clark
- Eddie Hunter
- **Apologies**
- Andy Bilton
- Allan Henderson
- Jillian Clark

**1. Approval of previous minutes**

The minutes of 15/08/2012 were approved.

**2. Meeting of Association of Lochaber Community Councils (ALCC)**

ALCC will be hosting a meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> September where it is planned to re-establish the Association and fill administrative posts. It is also hoped that a representative of NHS Highland will be present to discuss issues within the NHS. One or more members of KCC will try to attend but cannot confirm at this stage (**Action: CH, MM may be able to attend**)

**3. Treasurer's report**

Treasurer's report was presented. Current monies available are £2993.56

**4. Highland Council budget consultation**

JC, MK and MM had attended a consultation meeting on how Highland Council might make annual budget savings of around £30M. The consultation runs until 26<sup>th</sup> October and individual responses are encouraged. A poster describing this will be displayed on the notice boards. (**Action JM**)

**5. Road safety and speed limits through Corpach**

KCC had previously approached Bob Mitchell (Area Manager for Trunk roads) from Transport Scotland regarding 'Smiley face' speed monitors and extending the 30mph zone on the A830 to Annat Point. He had indicated that there was currently a review of speed limit zones on trunk roads and that any decisions would be taken at government level. It was agreed to write to local MSP Dave Thompson and also list MSPs for Highlands and Islands (Rhoda Grant, Jamie McGrigor, David Stewart, John Finnie, Jean Urquhart, Mary Scanlon, Mike MacKenzie) outlining the case for extending the 30mph zone. (**Action: RL**)

**6. Public right of way to foreshore at Annat**

Local Access Officer Alastair Stewart had investigated the difficulties of using the public right of way at Annat. Further investigation is needed before KCC can take action on this. (**Action: RL to walk the route and take photographs to document any access problems**)

**7. Ward Discretionary Fund applications**

It was noted that any community organisations could apply for discretionary funding for one off costs rather than ongoing expenses. If KCC is to get involved in applications for discretionary funding, these would need to meet criteria for transparency, accountability and value for money. KCC would be accountable for any applications even if activities were not carried by members of KCC. It was agreed to handle any approaches for help with funding applications on a case by case basis, but these would only be considered if at least one KCC member was actively involved and willing to take responsibility. Killmallie Community Company now have pages on the web site

**8. Clean up of old cars beside River Lochy**

Ron Cameron had approached KCC asking if KCC would like to become involved in efforts to remove about five burnt out cars that had been dumped along the banks of the Lochy. This project would require close co-operation with the landowner, permission from Scottish Canals to take vehicles along the towpath and agreement on somewhere to take the scrap. It was agreed that this was a worthwhile

project and KCC members would help where possible. It was also suggested that the pool of volunteers at Voluntary Action Lochaber may be willing to assist **(Action: RL to write to Ron expressing support and also discuss arrangements)**

**9. Killmallie Community Centre car park works**

Killmallie Community Centre had enquired about the Banavie quarry liaison group with a view to approaching Breedon Aggregates for help with surfacing the disabled car parking spaces at the centre. It was agreed that it would be valuable to get this work done and KCC would express support for this to Breedon. **(Action: RL to express KCC support for the request at next quarry liaison group meeting)**

**10. Blar supermarket and developer contribution for community**

Recent press articles had raised concerns that the £400,000 developer contribution for community facilities that would be paid to Highland Council on the opening of the Tesco supermarket on the Blar could effectively be lost. It was agreed to write to the Oban Times to bring this to the public attention and request the developer to pay the money for community uses without trying to impose any restrictions. **(Action: RL to write letter)**

**11. Next meeting**

The next meeting will be 17<sup>th</sup> October at 19:15 in Killmallie Hall.

Distribution

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