



COMHAIRLE COIMHEARSNACHD CILL MHÁLAIDH  
**KILMALLIE COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of Meeting held at 19:15 on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 at Kilmallie Community Centre

- | <b>1 Present</b>  | <b>In Attendance</b>  | <b>Apologies</b>                                       |
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| Mandy Ketchin (Chair)<br>Jan MacLugash (Treasurer)<br>Carol Anne Campbell<br>Geoff Heathcote<br>Christine Hutchison | Cllr Allan Henderson<br>(from item 4)<br>Cllr Ben Thompson<br>PS Andrew Bilton<br>Donald Cameron and<br>Astie Cameron of<br>Lochiel Estate<br><br>3 Members of the public | Russell Leaper<br>Kshama Wilmington<br>Cllr Bill Clark |
- 2 Declarations of interest**  
None.
- 3 Approval of minutes of last meeting**  
Proposed by Jan MacLugash and Seconded by Carol Anne Campbell.
- 6 Police Update**  
PS Bilton had nothing to report and was asked if he knew when the new speed limits on The Blar were going to be in operation; he didn't know and would look into it. We expect Transport Scotland to announce soon.  
  
It has been noticed that there were recording cables across the A830 - Kilmallie Hall and Corpach Hotel – Monday evening 18<sup>th</sup> May to Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May – PS Bilton did not know the purpose of them.
- 4 Presentation from Lochiel Estates by Donald Cameron, Younger of Lochiel and Astie Cameron, Estates Manager**  
Lochiel Estates have many links with Banavie, Corpach and Kilmallie – there have been many changes in recent times to the size of the estate and the management structure of the estate and are overseeing the daily running themselves. The main activities are agriculture, residential letting, renewables, sporting and forestry.  
  
There are a number of Hydro schemes on the estate; - Annat / Allt Dogha, Outward Bound and Corriebeg. Donald Cameron indicated that he would work to encourage the latter development to pay community benefit at the going rate.  
  
There was a small discussion on the Drumfada/Annat wind farm which got planning permission in 2013 – it has since been found that there is not enough wind in that position and therefore it is almost certain that it will not go ahead,  
  
Mandy Ketchin thanked Donald and Astie for giving the presentation and then Donald, Astie, Ben Thompson, PS Bilton and 2 members of the public left the meeting.
- 5 Treasurer's report**  
Monies available in General Account – £1117.35 and Reserved funds - £2659.77
- 7 Kilmallie Cemetery Fence**  
A complaint had been received from a resident that rubbish collecting beside a fence was causing the fence to fall over and it was felt that The Highland Council should be made aware of this – Allan Henderson offered to do this if the information was sent on to him.  
  
A complaint had been received about the poor re-instatement of the road surface and grass verges from the Banavie Swing Bridge through Corpach following the work done on behalf of SSE – Allan Henderson again offered to follow this up once he was given the information.

**8 Flood Risk Management Plan consultation** (Potentially Vulnerable Area 24, Caol and Inverlochty including Banavie and The Blar)  
There was no discussion on this.

**9 Mount Alexander dumping**  
Ownership to be looked into again.

**10 Developments along the Canal including towpath surface**  
Complaints received – this is part of cycle network NCN 78 – Allan will pass information to Ben Thompson as he is on the committee that deals with cycle paths.

**11 Any other business.**

#### **Junior Community Council**

No advance on this – Carol Anne Campbell to enquire and possibly Kshama Wilmington also

#### **Corpach Marina**

The promoting group not keen on an insert in the June newsletter – we shall try to encourage them to do so and give the community a chance to read about all the details.

#### **Car parking at Neptune's Staircase**

An anonymous letter had been received about the proposal from Scottish Canals to charge for car parking. We will forward the letter to Scottish Canals and get them to respond.

#### **Ward forum held at Invermoriston on Windfarm planning guide**

A short report from that ward forum – we await the next stage when there will be a ward forum in this area hopefully and we all can assess and discuss.

**Posters for volunteers for The West Highland Museum** were handed over to be placed in the CC's noticeboards in Corpach and at the carpark at the canal at Banavie.

#### **Kilmallie Christmas Lights Fund**

Andy Wilmington announced that the AGM is to be held in Kilmallie Community Centre on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2015 at 7.30pm. We hope they will provide an article for the newsletter following this meeting.

#### **Banavie Quarry**

Complaints about noise and vibration of blasting – no response from Breedon Aggregates to emails – Andy Wilmington to try and make contact.

**12 Date and venue of next meeting**

This will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June at 7.15pm, at Kilmallie Community Centre – large hall.

Due to pressure on some members of KCC it has been decided to hold meetings from now to November 2015 every 2 months eg;- June, August and October.

There is to be an election for Kilmallie Community Council in November 2015.

#### **Distribution**

By email to all KCC members, Cllr Bill Clark, Cllr Allan Henderson, Cllr Ben Thompson, Elizabeth Toal (HC), Lochaber Archive Centre, Maureen McColl (ALCC), PS Andy Bilton, Caol CC, I&TCC, FWCC.

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