

**Minutes of Meeting held 19:15 on Monday 25 May 2020 by remote video link**

**Present**

**Kilmallie Community Council**

Carol Anne Campbell  
John Hutchison  
Russell Leaper  
Ann Moffat  
Colin Wood (Chair)

**Highland Council**

Clr Allan Henderson  
Clr Denis Rixson

**Apologies**

Gwyn Moses  
Sgt Ross McCartney (Police Scotland)  
Clr Ben Thompson

3 members of the public

**1. Approval of previous minutes**

The minutes of the remote meeting on 27 April 2020 were approved.

**2. Update on Covid-19 support group and any further action required**

The support group has continued to operate as required mainly for food shopping and prescriptions. There are around 12 people being supported and we are not aware of anyone who needs support who is not getting it. The Community Cupboard at Kilmallie Community Centre has been being well used.

**3. Changes to the way that Highland Council considers planning applications**

RL noted that he had misunderstood the changes to the revised scheme of delegation which had been discussed at the April meeting. In fact, the new Scheme remained in place even though it was not being applied in practice. It was agreed to write to Nicole Wallace (Head of Planning) to draw attention to the concerns that had been raised about the Enhanced Delegation powers which placed the responsibility for potentially major planning decisions onto just two people. It was noted that this puts an unfair burden on the individuals involved but also raises serious concerns over the decision making process and how this may be influenced.

**4. Plans for future issues of newsletter**

It had been hoped to distribute the next issue of the newsletter via Royal Mail. However, the Royal Mail service cannot deliver to the selected post codes that would just include Kilmallie. The only option would be to deliver to all PH33 7 post codes which would be about 8500 addresses. It was agreed that it would be safe for the volunteer delivery teams to operate assuming they were willing and that this would be the best option. JH had also been following up on printing options because Printsmith are not working at the moment. Mark Entwistle offered to investigate printing through the Lochaber News. DR noted the value of a paper newsletter delivered through the door, particularly for older people who do not use the internet.

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**5. Nevis Centre consultation**

KCC had been reminded about the on-line consultation about the future of the Nevis Centre and that individual responses were still being sought.

[https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FW\\_NEW\\_CENTRE](https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FW_NEW_CENTRE)

**6. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be by Zoom on Monday June 22 at 19:15. This will be followed by the AGM.

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