Minutes of meeting held on 5th October 2006 at Glenfinnan House Hotel

Present: D. Gibson, E. O'Rua, G. Young, J. Robertson, E. Mc Kenna Also present: J. Barnes

1.0 Minutes of previous meeting circulated and agreed

2.0 Business Arising

2.1 War Memorial

D. Gibson updated us on this project. C. MacFarlane is in favour of bringing down the big tree. A. Gibson is prepared to mill it and G. Moss is prepared to make benches from the wood. D and K MacAuley will look at it with a view to felling. This will most likely take place in January or February when the sap is low. We may arrange a work party.

2.2 Bridge over the Callop

The latest on this project is that Enstone Thistle has pulled out of the job. MacGregor's have now been awarded the contract. Access Lochaber will receive a new quote from them.

2.3 Road issues

D. Gibson contacted Forbes Fraser at Highland Council regarding our concerns and wishes. We were advised to write to Jim Tolmie, Roads Department. Secretary will write letter.

2.4 Recycling

Received reply re plastics recycling. It is not available and there are no current plans to provide this service. We will place recycling on the agenda at the AGM.

2.5 Glenfinnan 07 (sub-group of CC)

Currently finalising grant application to Awards for All

2.6 Sewerage

We received a reply from Scottish Water saying there is no funding allocated for plans or projects to create a village wide mains sewerage scheme for Glenfinnan. With the exception of E. McKenna we agreed there was no point pursuing this further as people do not want it and we are very unlikely to be successful anyway. E. McKenna disagreed strongly. We all agreed to bring it up at the AGM and ask the people who come along their opinions.

2.7 Cycle Path

No update. Joan to follow this up.

2.8 Website

No update.

2.9 Phone box

The phone has been reconnected. J. Barnes expressed his unhappiness at the state of the phone box and said he would be willing to maintain it. Secretary offered to give him the details of the person at BT who she is in contact with.

2.10 Halloween Party

Tuesday 31st December, Glenfinnan House Hotel at 7pm

3.0 Correspondence

- Highland Council Community Council Annual Grant application passed to Treasurer
- Outline Planning application for a house at plot 4 Torr an Eas
- Invite to Credit Union open evening on 19th October
- Postwatch Scotland invite to comment on delivery exceptions review
- Highland Archaelology Fortnight Booklets
- Letter re vacancy on board of trustees for a leisure centre in Inverness
- Waterwatch Scotland leaflets

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4.1 J Barnes raised problems with the station approach road. There are drainage and surface problems. The surface water problem creates problems with ice in the winter. He asked the council to write to the rail bodies. The road is owned by Scotrail and Network Rail. Glenfinnan Station has a meeting with them on 1st November.

4.2 G. Young has nominated K. Colman for the Commando Crystal Bowl

Award on behalf of Glenfinnan Community Council.

4.3 J. Robertson re organising Guy Fawkes Night. 6.30pm, 5th November, up the glen. There will be fireworks, soup, mulled wine etc. 4.4 Village tidy and bulb planting and path maintenance on Sunday 29th October at 2pm. J. Robertson will send out a general events fiver to every household.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 8th November, 7pm at Glenfinnan House Hotel