

Present: Duncan Gibson, Fiona Gibson, Ingrid Henderson, Jenny Thomson, Sgnt Morven Brown

Apologies: Stephen Carruthers, Cncllr Allan Henderson **No correspondence received:** Duncan MacFarlane

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
 - 2.1 Community Facility/ Venue: Ongoing: Lyndsey MacGruer, Marine Harvest has been in touch and Loch Shiel Jetties are happy for us to sub-lease. Marine Harvest to draw up a lease for consultation. **Action: A separate meeting/ sub group to be gathered to discuss plans/ costings etc..**
 - 2.2 Hydro Schemes Community Benefit: **Action: Jenny/ Fiona to contact Slatlach Hydro about payments.**
 - 2.3 Community Notice Board has arrived. **Action: To be erected at the Glen-road bus-stop by work party.**
 - 2.4 Back Track Drainage: The issue has been formally raised by back-track residents again. A discussion re. maintenance responsibilities was held. **Action: D. MacFarlane to report on issues and possible solutions.**
 - 2.5 Glenfinnan™: D Gibson met with NTS (National Trust for Scotland) representatives and we have a letter for use by any residents setting up a new business using Glenfinnan in its title. **Action: D. Gibson to circulate letter for response/ amendments.**
 - 2.6 Roads issues: It appears some A830 signs are earmarked for removal but no progress to date. Morven contacted Highland Council & Bear Scotland regarding road debris & sweeping on the lower and main. No progress to date. **Action: Morven to request again.**
 - 2.7 Tourist parking: **Action: Fiona to contact Cncllr. Henderson again about finding a solution.**
 - 2.8 Defibrillator/ CPR refresher course: **Action: Fiona to contact Scottish Ambulance Service about a refresher course in the Winter.**
 - 2.9 Social media presence: It was agreed to set up a Facebook Community Organisation page for the council. Social media training for councils available from HC. **Action: Fiona/ Ingrid to follow up.**
3. Finance
 - 3.1 The current balance is £11,102.07
4. Correspondence
 - 4.1 Highland Council: Equality Outcome Consultation Survey <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PMD7VQR>
 - 4.2 Highland Council: Bus Users Group meeting, Council Chambers 6th Dec, 11.30am
 - 4.3 Commission on Highland Democracy: <http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/2YZ788R>
 - 4.4 Hugh Cheape has corresponded about his research and pictures regarding Glenfinnan & the Bainbridge family in the late 1800s/ early 1900s. Digital images could be adopted as an asset for the Community Council and possibly displayed in a new community facility. **Action: Fiona to reply positively.**
5. AOCB
 - 5.1 The Council sends heartfelt condolences to Margaret, Iain & Kate on the sad passing of Ronnie MacKellaig.
 - 5.2 Remembrance service: Thanks to those who attended and to Charlie MacFarlane for laying the wreath.
 - 5.3 Halloween Party was a great success. Thanks to Joan for leading the kids party.
 - 5.4 Bonfire Night & Fireworks display: Thanks to all who attended on a lovely clear night. Thanks to Ella for making the guy. Plans to have more youngsters involved next year and get a penny for the guy.
 - 5.5 Bank Fishing: Morven gave an update on 3 reports which were investigated earlier in the year. No crime found to be committed. John Gibb (Fishery Board) was contacted and said it is a civil matter. Two wildlife liaison officers have been appointed in Fort William & Mallaig.
 - 5.6 Metal walkways on shore path: Colin Morley has asked if there are plans to move these. All agreed they were unsightly and there are moves afoot to remove them.
 - 5.7 A Kayak recovered from the loch in the Summer could become a village asset. **Action: Morven to enquire with lost property.**
 - 5.8 School drop off: Joan suggested the Church Car Park as the afternoon drop-off spot rather than the road end, which can be a busy junction. All agreed this was a much safer location for the kids and for road traffic. **Action: Ingrid to contact Father Roddy & Shiel Buses.**
6. Events:

Sat 10 th Dec 3pm	Christmas Gathering
Fri 27 th January 7pm	Burns Supper
Sun 12 th February 3pm	Charity Afternoon Tea

Next meeting: Monday 16th January 2017 at Glenfinnan House Hotel 8pm