

Present: Duncan Gibson, Jenny Thomson, Joan Robertson, Ingrid Henderson, John MacDougall, Cncllr Henderson, Morven Brown

Apologies: Eileen O' Rua

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
 - 2.1 **Hydro Schemes – Community Benefit:** Ongoing: CC to follow up on the community facility/ heritage centre idea with add-on facilities for other businesses. **Action: Duncan to contact planning office again to discuss possibilities. Other funding streams to be researched by all.**
 - 2.2 **Bus Stop, Glen Rd End:** Many thanks to Ian Leith & Glenfinnan Estate for the lovely new bus stop. **Action: Jenny to send thank you. Duncan to put up notice board.**
 - 2.3 **Village Road safety:** Plans discussed to keep our roads safer especially as tourist traffic increases. **Action: Duncan to find suitable dates and Jenny to organise cycling proficiency class thereafter.**
 - 2.4 **Shore Path Damage/ Back-track maintenance:** D. Gibson spoke to D. MacFarlane regarding repair issues and apologised for misunderstanding re. backtrack work carried out. In the future any pathways upkeep issues should be referred to the landowner initially.
 - 2.5 **Speeding consultation:** Ongoing: Cncllr Henderson reported that a meeting of community leaders and Roads Dept was held in Lochailort re. 50mph proposal on A830 Glenfinnan – Lochailort. The outcome is still to be decided but we're advised to make representation again and tag on the Glenfinnan speed limit/ National Trust Crossing issues. **Action: Ingrid to word letter to Stephen Davies, Transport Scotland.**
 - 2.6 **Advertising:** Poor state of Community Notice Boards discussed. **Action: Jenny to speak to K. MacAuley about renovating the old boards.**
 - 2.7 **Lower Road Parking:** Tourist parking on the lower road verge is an ongoing issue which needs addressed. Duncan has contacted Police (temporary cones have been erected) and Ian Bruce Low Highland Council for action. **Action: Ingrid to word email to National Trust regarding parking issues. Duncan to report back to Pauline Donaldson.**
 - 2.8 **Road safety** – White lines on both sides of A830 junction at Glen & Slatach Road end have disappeared making it unsafe for road users. **Action: Jenny to contact Bob Mitchell, Transport Scotland**
3. Correspondence
 - 3.1 Scottish Heritage Angel Awards: Recognising work of voluntary groups.
 - 3.2 Highland Council: Quality Awards
 - 3.3 Community Empowerment Workshop 14th Sep Fort William
 - 3.4 Digital Engagement Workshop for Communities.
 - 3.5 Forestry Commission: Glenfinnan Woodland Trails – maintenance to be undertaken.
 - 3.6 Scottish Government: Boundary changes for councils.
 - 3.7 Lochaber Housing Association Newsletter: AGM notification 21st September
 - 3.8 Letter from Made in Lochaber: Rebranding and request for funding.
4. AOCB
 - 4.1 **Callop Walkway:** Thanks to Forestry Commission for maintenance to the walkway during the Summer.
 - 4.2 **Bank Fishing:** Lights spotted on the loch again by the River Finnan. We ask folk to be vigilant and if anyone sees anything suspicious phone 101 to report **Action: Morven to raise the incident.**
 - 4.3 **Post Office premises:** **Action: John to contact Kenny Rigg re. possibility of premises in Glenfinnan.**
 - 4.4 **Community Broadband:** Issues of slow service and plans to increase prices were raised. As this is past the initial install phase all queries must go direct to Locheilnet.

Next meeting: Mon 21st September @ 8pm Glenfinnan House Hotel