

**Present:** Duncan Gibson, Fiona Gibson, Ingrid Henderson, John MacDougall, Jenny Thomson, Cncllr Allan Henderson & Sgnt Morven Brown.

**Apologies:** Stephen Carruthers

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
  - 2.1 **Hydro Schemes Community Benefit: Facility/ Venue:** Ongoing: CC met with Marine Harvest who are happy to explore the possibility of a sub-lease of the jetty building specifically for community usage. **Action: Committee to have a dedicated meeting on Tues 29 March (3pm) to discuss further.**
  - 2.2 **Village Road safety: Cycling proficiency.** Thanks to Fiona Gibson for undertaking the training session and then leading a youth workshop in the village with Fiona Beattie, Active School Coordinator. Six children aged 5 – 12 took part. A follow-up workshop is planned for Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> April 11am.
  - 2.3 **Community Notice Board repairs/ repositioning:** K. MacAuley to renovate the back-track board. New boards to be positioned at monkey-puzzle tree area and the Station road bus stop. **Action: Fiona to research costs & design.**
  - 2.4 **Back Track bin area:** Duncan spoke to John Whyte who is happy to take the lead in erecting a secure area where the bins are currently housed. He will consult with residents and draft in support when needed. Highland Council have been spoken to about drainage issues & Gus MacLennan is due to visit.
  - 2.5 **Road issues:** – Ongoing. White lines have now been reinstated on the Slatlach side of the A830 junction. Sgnt. Morven Brown to request again that Bear Scotland remove the old signage on A830 near the Trust as the road is still littered with signs. **A830 Pavement widening:** Although Bob Mitchell, Transport Scotland confirmed that there are future works planned for the River Finnan Bridge area, there are no immediate plans for a new bridge. He suggested some possibilities including widening one side and he has copied to colleagues for response. **Action: Ingrid to respond & suggest that a possible pedestrian solution could be found with Glenfinnan estate.** Arthur Cowie to attend next meeting about linking up A830 CCs on road issues.
  - 2.6 **Bank Fishing:** Ongoing: Duncan awaiting response from SSB and Glenfinnan Fishing Club. Morven to speak to Police Wildlife Liaison Officer thereafter. Any sightings to be reported to the Police at the time.
  - 2.7 **War Memorial:** Funding available for overhaul work through the British Legion. **Action: Fiona to follow up.**
  - 2.8 **National Trust - Glenfinnan Trademark:** Concern has been raised about the trademarking of Glenfinnan with regard to local business past and future. **Action: Duncan to contact Gareth Clingan to find out if trademarking is complete and to arrange an agreement that future local businesses would be protected.**
  - 2.9 **Village Parking – Lower Village/ Glen Rd end:** To date there are no firm plans for car parking expansion. Duncan has contacted Pauline Donaldson, HC and markings have been made for bollards from the road-end to the first passing place. It has also been requested that soft verge signs are removed and this will be considered in April.
3. Finance
  - 3.1 The current balance is £11,743.37
4. Correspondence
  - 4.1 Ballachulish Community Council: proposal to set up an online community platform.
  - 4.2 Lochaber District Partnership: Request for members.
  - 4.3 Crown Estate: Scottish Bulletin
5. AOCB

**Events:**

Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup> proposed Guided Walk up a Monroe - Sgurr Thuilm – with Alasdair Gibson. Weather permitting!

Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> 11am Biking Workshops for youngsters aged 5 – 14. Eilean Mòr workshop, Glenfinnan

Sunday April 10<sup>th</sup> 3pm Cheese & Wine Drawing Room, Glenfinnan House Hotel.

**Next meeting: 8pm Mon 18th April Glenfinnan House Hotel.**