GLENFINNNAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES 27th August 2013

Present: Duncan Gibson, Eileen O'Rua, Jenny Thomson, Ingrid Henderson, Joan Robertson, Cncllr. Allan Henderson

Apologies: John MacDougall, Sgnt, David Campbell

1. Minutes circulated and agreed

2. Matters arising

- 2.1 <u>Phone Lines/Broadband:</u> Ongoing: The pilot has been developed and the high-speed connection is now live to the initial test area. Following a special open meeting with LocheilNet, the Community Council have agreed to subsidise the install connection. The possibility of a rental charge for equipment on the estate ground was raised.
- 2.2 Road Issues A830: Ongoing. A public consultation regarding speed limits is still to take place. Bob Mitchell has replied to Callop Bridge/ speeding query and will discuss further. A traffic speed count for the Glenfinnan part of the A830 has been requested by Sgnt. Campbell along with undergrowth cutting from BEAR Scotland on the east side of the Visitor Centre.
- 2.3 <u>Hydro Schemes Community Benefit/ Works:</u> Ongoing. D. Ferguson awaiting response from Glenfinnan Hydro Scheme. Slatach Hydro scheme have responded positively to community support. Bob Middleton has been invited to meet with the council. Still awaiting response from contractors regarding verge damage and fallen trees.
- 2.4 <u>Back Track Drainage issues:</u> E. McKenna has kindly carried out the works to improve the erosion problem. Community Council to pay costs of £82.
- 2.5 <u>Work Party idea:</u> Proposal to tidy up area in front of graveyard. Provisional date of Nov 3rd earmarked. Idea to be explored further. Link to Nov 5th celebrations.
- 2.6 <u>Bus Stop:</u> Positive meeting with Neil Young & David MacGillivary and plans progressing. D Gibson received positive response from I Leith regarding location of lower bus stop but risk assessment needs to be carried out.

3. Correspondence.

- 3.1 AGM Lochaber Housing Association: Fri 13th September
- 3.2 Rural Development Contract for Glenfinnan Estate for the Forestry Plan.
- 3.3 Scottish and Southern Energy Business Plan
- 3.4 Lochaber Housing Association Newsletter
- 3.5 Winter resilience assistance to communities:
- 3.6 Letter from Sine Gibson regarding speeding in the village.
- 3.7 Rotary Club: Charity Crocus Bulbs donation
- 3.8 Letter regarding wreath ordering.

4. AOCB.

- **4.1** <u>Slatach Speeding</u>: Sine has proposed a village_poster competition to draw attention to speeding issues.
- **4.2** <u>Verge damage:</u> To be raised with the Games Committee after Games Day parking.
- **4.3** Local library: Idea still supported but a rethink required about location.

Next meeting:

23rd September 8pm Glenfinnan House Hotel

All welcome or pass your comments/ideas to a community council member in advance. Feel free to post ideas in our suggestion box positioned at Post Office.