

**Present:** Stephen Carruthers, Duncan Gibson, Fiona Gibson, Lewis Gibson, Ingrid Henderson, Jenny Thomson, Sgnt. Keith Almond, Cncllr Allan Henderson

**Apologies:**

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
  - 2.1 Community Facility – Marine Harvest Hut: Ongoing: Thanks to all who turned out for a very positive Steering Group meeting. **A further meeting is set for Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> April 7.30pm.** Since Duncan contacted Marine Harvest the building has had water damage but this is due to be repaired before any handover.
  - 2.2 Hydro Schemes Community Benefit: Ongoing: Dot Ferguson contacted Bob Middleton, TLS Slatach Hydro regarding further Community Benefit. Awaiting update.
  - 2.3 Roads issues: Ongoing. A discussion was had about changes to the bridge works at the top of the village. Iain Blyth raised some concerns that need to be reworked into the plans.
    - Lower Road: Duncan contacted Pauline Donaldson & Gus about drainage issues and deterioration in the road surface.
    - Tor an Eas: Julia raised some concerns about vision when turning out onto the main road due to signage on one side and overgrown bushes on the other. **Action: Duncan & Alistair to take a look.**
  - 2.4 Tourist parking: Ongoing: Duncan contacted Pauline Donaldson, HC. They are not in favour on continuing the white bollards as in their view the parking problem just moves further down the road or to main road. We've requested changing the soft verge signs & adding no parking symbols to the passing place poles.
    - Thanks to Fiona who's filled out an initial application to the HC Tourist Infrastructure Fund. This focuses on parking, pedestrian footpath and speed limit. National Trust Visitor figures were quoted which recorded over 300,000 official visitors last year. This doesn't cover those not visiting the NT centre. Duncan has contacted Kate Forbes in relation to these issues & Skye's successful funding bid. A meeting is proposed for Sat 21<sup>st</sup> April. **Action: Duncan to contact Fiona Hyslop, Tourism Minister about the same issues.**
    - Tor an Eas camper van parking problems raised. It is proposed to use some cones to alleviate the issue.
    - Police have asked that any issues be reported (101). If they can't attend it's important that it's still logged.
  - 2.5 Defibrillator/ CPR refresher course: The training will take place at 10.30am on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March at GF House Hotel. **Action: Reminder to be sent via social media, email & posters.**
3. Finance
  - 3.1 The current balance is £13,388.84
4. Correspondence
  - 4.1 Scottish Fire & Rescue Service – public consultation. Open until 14<sup>th</sup> May.
  - 4.2 Scottish & Southern Electricity Network: Resilience Communities Fund information.
  - 4.3 Highland Council: Information regarding Community Council Grant reduction.
5. AOCB
  - 5.1 Road Closure: A830 West of Glenfinnan Sun 18<sup>th</sup> – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> 7pm – 7am. Check Traffic Scotland for more info.
  - 5.2 Thanks to all who attended & helped at the Afternoon Charity Tea. Added to the Quiz Night money, £311 in total was raised for Diabetes Scotland.
  - 5.3 Rural Watch: Keith informed us of the scheme which is similar to Neighbourhood Watch but for rural areas. Individuals can find further info & sign up at [www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk](http://www.ruralwatchscotland.co.uk) He also informed us about wildlife signage which is available from the Wildlife Liaison Officer if relevant.

**Next meeting: Mon 16<sup>th</sup> April Glenfinnan House Hotel**

**Events:** Sun 25<sup>th</sup> March 10.30am Defibrillator training, Glenfinnan House Hotel 10.30am (one session only).  
**Please indicate attendance.**

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup> May Glenfinnan Fun Day, Games Field**

**Sun 10<sup>th</sup> June Community Council AGM 3pm Glenfinnan House Hotel**