

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

Apologies: Stephen Carruthers, Cncllr Allan Henderson, John MacDougall

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
 - 2.1 **Hydro Schemes Community Benefit: Facility/ Venue:** Ongoing: CC in discussions with Marine Harvest about a sub-lease of the jetty building for community usage. Terms & conditions being discussed. Awaiting further response from L. McGruer. **Action: Duncan to continue dialogue. Fiona/ Jenny to send letters to Slatach/ Conaglen Hydro Schemes.**
 - 2.2 **Community Notice Board repairs/ repositioning:** New main board to be positioned near monkey-puzzle tree. Thanks to K. MacAuley for restoration work on the old back-track board. **Action: Fiona to apply for financial support for new board.**
 - 2.3 **Back Track Drainage:** Highland Council contacted about drainage issues & Gus MacLennan is due to visit.
 - 2.4 **Bank Fishing issues:** Ongoing: Any sightings / concerns to be reported to the Police immediately. The Fishing Club have requested assistance with reinstating a locked gate for loch access to permit holders only. Landowner, Duncan MacFarlane is agreeable in principle but logistics have to be thought out. Cavan in turn has asked Ross Dunsmore, Agricultural Food & Rural Communities Directorate & John Gibb for a list of permit holders. **Action: Morven to follow up on recent sightings reported by Joe.**
 - 2.5 **War Memorial:** Funding available for overhaul work through the British Legion. **Action: Fiona to follow up.**
 - 2.6 **National Trust - Glenfinnan Trademark:** Ongoing: Concern had been raised about the trademarking of Glenfinnan with regard to local business past and future. Duncan contacted Gareth Clingan who informs us that NT lawyer (Steven Small) is to attend Glencoe CC to address the community. They will be in touch about a similar visit to GF.
 - 2.7 **Village Parking – Lower Village/ Glen Rd end:** Duncan contacted Pauline Donaldson, HC and bollards have been ordered for lower road entrance. It has also been requested that soft verge signs are removed and this will be considered. Suggestions for more rural solutions were put forward but this is what we have to go for as a short-term solution this year. It is hoped that more parking will be developed in the future.
3. Finance
 - 3.1 The current balance is £11,599.74
4. Correspondence
 - 4.1 Bear Scotland: Resurfacing works on A830 West of Glenfinnan & by Lochaber High School.
 - 4.2 Bear Scotland: A830 Planned bridge repairs this year at Ranochan & Arieniskill
 - 4.3 Voluntary Actions Lochaber: BOSCAR nominations.
 - 4.4 Highland Leader Applications are open
5. AOCB
 - 5.1 **Glenfinnan45s 50days x 5k Challenge:** Thanks to all who supported the team. Nearly 3000km were covered by the group and fundraising efforts raised £860 for Mary's Meals.
 - 5.2 **Thanks to John MacDougall** for his Community Council service over the years. We wish him & the family all the best for their move. Anyone interested in joining the Community Council should get in touch.
 - 5.3 **Roadsweeping** has been suggested for the lower and main road around Glenfinnan. **Action: Morven to contact the Council & Bear Scotland regarding road debris.**
 - 5.4 **Callop Walkway:** Thanks to Forestry Commission and their local workers for their fantastic work on the walkway. This is a great asset to the village and we're delighted with the result. **Action: Fiona to send thanks.**

Events:

Sat May 28th Guided Hill Walk: 'Fraoch Bheinn' with Alastair Gibson. 9am @ old workshop by viaduct. (Est. 5 hr trip)

Please register your interest direct with Alistair or on email: communitycouncil@glenfinnan.org.uk

Sun 5th June Glenfinnan Village Gathering: 2pm Kayak session for kids, GFHouse Hotel, 4.30pm BBQ & Games for all.

Sun 26th June AGM Glenfinnan House Hotel 5pm

Next meetings: Mon 13th June Glenfinnan House Hotel 8pm