

**Present:** Duncan Gibson, Jenny Thomson, Ingrid Henderson, Eileen O' Rua, Joan Robertson + Alastair Gibson.

**Apologies:** Cncllr Allan Henderson, Cncllr. Ben Thomson.

1. Minutes circulated and agreed
2. Matters arising
  - 2.1 Hydro Schemes – Community Benefit: Ongoing. Still no response from Slatlach Hydro re. Community Benefit Agreement. Scheme officially opened in October and monies apparently being donated to the Moidart Trust. Ingrid asked for clarification on this in order to protect community interests. Awaiting response. Jenny responded to Broadlands Renewables request for information regarding community benefit expenditure.
  - 2.2 Bus Stop, Glen Rd End: Ongoing: Location & design agreed. Glenfinnan estate to take forward.
  - 2.3 Defibrillator/ First Aid Training: Regular checking of the unit undertaken by Duncan. Update training to be undertaken. **Action: Eileen to follow up annual training (Feb).**
  - 2.4 Church - community usage: Response received from Fthr. Tony about the possibility of community usage for suitable events. Disappointingly it appears that this will not be possible despite the wider support of the community in the restoration project. "a very occasional event of a more secular nature may take place.. but very rarely and usually has some religious connection" "Diversification of use would not be in the interests of maintaining a sacred place nor would it be considerate of the feelings among the Catholic Community." **Action D. Gibson to draft a response**
  - 2.5 Church Path: Ditching maintenance required. 16th Nov 11am. **Action: All to spread the word.**
  - 2.6 Verge Damage: Joan contacted Mike Leary regarding lack of grass cutting. Awaiting response.
  - 2.7 Speeding: A cycling proficiency workshop has been suggested for village youngsters. Jenny contacted Emma Walters re. Bike classes. **Action: Jenny to request a class within the village.**
  - 2.8 Community Consultation: Ingrid responded with community requirements.
3. Correspondence
  - 3.1 Response from Fthr Tony regarding the Church.
  - 3.2 Highland Council Lochaber Ward Form 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec 6.30pm
  - 3.3 Centre for Youth & Criminal Justice Survey.
  - 3.4 Highland Council Budget Consultation.
  - 3.5 Lochaber Housing Association: Annual Report.
4. AOCB
  - 4.1 **Lochaber Transport Advice & Booking Service:** Visit from Steve Pimborough regarding integrated transport project, meeting health & social care needs. Info for distribution.
  - 4.2 **Shore Path Damage & Pier:** To look at repairs in the Spring. **Action: D. Gibson to speak to Sandy about pier repairs.**
  - 4.3 **Village events:** Thanks to all who supported our Halloween and Bonfire nights. Very successful events with good attendance and £94.50 raised. Thanks also to all who attended the Remembrance Gathering at the Memorial on Sun 9<sup>th</sup> Nov.
  - 4.4 **Callop Bridge:** F. Whyte raised a complaint about graffiti. Transport Scotland already agreed to repaint bridge as part of resurfacing & recent safety measures undertaken at the site.

**Next meeting: Mon 8<sup>th</sup> December 7.30pm Grianan**

Future events:            Sat 29<sup>th</sup> Nov 7 – 11pm            St Andrew's Family Dance, Glenfinnan House Hotel  
   Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Dec 6.30pm            Christmas Family Gathering

All welcome or pass your ideas to a council member in advance.    **communitycouncil@glenfinnan.org.uk**