GLENFINNNAN COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES Mon 20th November 2017 8pm, Glenfinnan House Hotel.

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

Apologies: Cncllr Allan Henderson.

1. Minutes circulated and agreed

2. Matters arising

- 2.1 <u>Community Facility Marine Harvest Hut:</u> Ongoing: Following the sharing of ideas at last meeting, work was started on a village survey. **Action: Ingrid & Fiona meeting to complete online version & distribute.**
- 2.2 <u>Hydro Schemes Community Benefit:</u> Ongoing: Part payment, £1106, received from Broadlands Renewable. Action: Duncan to contact Dot Ferguson for advice regarding Slatach Hydro Scheme's negative response to Community Benefit.
- 2.3 Glenfinnan trademark. Action: Alistair to clarify Glenfinnan Estates efforts regarding the issue.
- 2.4 <u>Roads issues:</u> Ongoing. A meeting was held with Bear & Transport Scotland focussing on bridge works at the top of the village. A simplified version of plans is to be sent through.
- 2.5 <u>Tourist parking:</u> Ongoing: There are still positive moves afoot to find a solution which we hope to report on in the coming months.
- 2.6 <u>Defibrillator/ CPR refresher course</u>: Thanks to Sgnt Keith Almond for contacting the Ambulance Service to find a training instructor. **Action: Date to be agreed with trainer and defib information sought.**
- 2.7 <u>Halloween:</u> Thank you very much to Joan for leading the games at the kid's party and thanks to parents for support.
- 2.8 Village Tidy: Thank you very much to all who turned out to help. It's very much appreciated.
- 2.9 <u>Bonfire Fireworks</u>: Thanks to all who helped out at another wonderful display with record numbers of spectators. Donations totalled £853 which leaves £798 after expenses. Thanks to all for support. In light of the big attendance this year, a discussion was had about what type of event we want to run in the future. All agreed that the event went well and online feedback was very positive. Although this has been a smaller community event in the past, all agreed it was a good opportunity to open it up to the wider Lochaber community and make it more financially viable. Parking, access, hospitality, toilets, safety etc. were all discussed and noted. All agreed to increase the budget to £1500. Thanks to Marine Harvest and David Robertson for providing the pallets and thanks to Les & Duncan for a fantastic display.
- 2.10 <u>Remembrance Service</u>: Thanks to all who attended a lovely commemoration.

3. Finance

3.1 The current balance is £12581.96

4. Correspondence

4.1 Letter from Broadlands Renewables and thank you letter sent in reply.

5. AOCB

- 5.1 <u>Break-ins</u>: Sgnt Keith Almond reported that the catering van at the Trust has been broken into three times recently. If anyone has seen anything suspicious please report to the police on 101 or 999 in emergency.
- 5.2 <u>Community activity</u>: Julia informed us that someone has offered to teach knitting and sewing classes if and when the community facility gets up and running.

Events: Sat 9th December Christmas Gathering, Drawing Room, Glenfinnan House Hotel 6pm

Sat 27th Jan Burns Night, Glenfinnan House Hotel 7pm

Sun 4th March Afternoon Charity Tea, Drawing Room, Glenfinnan House Hotel 3pm

Next meeting: Mon 15th January 8pm Glenfinnan House Hotel