

## Dornoch & District Community Council (DACC) Meeting July 21<sup>st</sup>.2021

### Proposal to address car and motorhome parking at Beach

I would like to propose that Dornoch Area Community Council recommends to Highland Council the following actions to address the out-of-control parking at the Dornoch Beach. Recent discussions with Highland Council's Shane Manning and others lead me to believe that, if made, these recommendations will be favourably received.

1. Stop parking in places where we don't want vehicles to park:
  - a. **Designate the road to the beach an official single-track road and insert passing places.** This can be done immediately and should help to prevent parking on the road, although it will still not make it illegal to stop on the verge/road-edge. Double yellow lines and a Traffic Regulation Order are the only mechanism to make such parking illegal, and although this will take time **we should immediately start the process to arrange both double yellow lines and a Traffic Regulation Order.**
  - b. **Put up signs to clarify that this is the case.**
  - c. **Put up bollards to prevent parking on Common Good Land beside the road.**
  - d. **Put up a sign at the approach to the Top Car Park at the Junction of Beach Road & Golf Road saying NO PARKING FOR CAMPERVANS/MOTORHOMES AHEAD.**
  - e. **Put up a sign at the approach to the Overflow Car Park along Beach Road saying NO PARKING FOR CAMPERVANS/MOTORHOMES AHEAD (i.e. park here).**

*None of the above is costly.*

2. Clarify exactly where we want vehicles to park:
  - a. **Cars: 'Invitation to Pay' i.e. voluntary parking at all three car parks.**
  - b. **Motorhomes: Bottom two car parks only. Compulsory fee of £10 for 24 hours, but with a right to a £5 discount on Caravan site's waste facilities. (The Caravan Site has agreed this in principle).**
3. Enforcement:  
**Regular enforcement of the above by a warden.**  
*This would be paid for out of the income from the ITP and from the motorhomes.*
4. Encouragement:  
**It would be ideal if the warden could also encourage any motorhome to use the waste facility in the caravan site, warn them of disposing of it illegally and report/photograph anyone doing so.**