

Dornoch & District Community Council (DACC) Meeting 15th.June 2022
Updates on matters outstanding from previous meetings as at 10/6/2022

Action points in blue bold.

Progress since last update in green italics

1. **Dornoch Skip**

PM, JB and JMc met HC's Alan McKinnie (AM) on Friday 29 October.

We need skip times to include non-working hours.

AM is researching whether one Saturday morning per month will be possible

2. **Bishopfield Housing Development Land Transfer**

DADCA have now purchased the land.

Next steps:

- **Market the 5 affordable plots**

Initial demand is encouraging. 20 expressions of interest

- **Get planning permission for the 4-6 plots to be sold at market value**

There have been 6 planning objections.

There has been a last-minute hitch with the title confirming that the plots can be sold at market value. Business plan now required for how DADCA will spend the money.

3. **Path by 2nd.Green at RDGC**

PM met RDGC who now acknowledge that the path is a right of way and have agreed to clear that part of the path which is on the land they lease from Dornoch Common Good.

JM will ask Matt Dent to come to Dornoch to assess whether RDGC is adequately maintaining the path on the land they lease from Dornoch Common Good.

4. **Proposal to address car and motorhome parking at Beach**

Highland Council's Shane Manning is working on a proposal which will be put to Community Consultation shortly.

PM to chase Shane Manning re:

- 'No campervan parking ahead' road-signs warning before the top car park
- Consultation for voluntary charging for bottom 2 car parks

5. **Springfield site**

PM discussing with Stuart Morrison (SM) the following:

- Possible new access at Poles Road. Springfield are in principle agreeable to this and will:
 - **Draft plan of possible access points and possible road configurations and**
 - **Seek regulatory approval ASAP**
 - SM have lodged application for planning permission. *HC still have not approved after 6 months.*
- Bin collection for current and future residents on non-adopted roads. SM will:
 - **Revert with a proposal on how to deal with this issue**Still no reply.
PM will again chase Springfield for a reply.

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6. Airfield Shed

DM has made a proposal to rent the airfield shed and DACC has supported this proposal.

HC and DM now negotiating lease terms. *HC still have not finalised after several months.*

7. RDGC contract

Signature of RDGC lease contract should be imminent.

- **PM will ask Chris Holmes for update**
- **Sports facility at Dornoch Academy:** A cheap building from scratch is not feasible due to Health and Safety regulations. The plan now is to use the RDGC money to build a Multi-Purpose Games Area (MUGA) as a first step. Maybe this can be enclosed at a later date.

8. Seagulls

Seagulls are causing problems including becoming aggressive with residents.

Lesley Strang has identified a company that will remove eggs from nests that are particularly inappropriate for the town. However we were not fast enough to get Common Good Funding this year.

Review and agree exactly where we need to remove eggs and make formal application for Common Good Funding in September well in time to put in place the removal in spring 2023.

9. Dog-poo problem

YM and DM to identify exactly where they want bins and/or what other action they wish to be taken.

Items outside DACC's responsibility other than liaison with other Groups:

10. 800th.Anniversary of the Cathedral

This project is responsibility of the Cathedral and PM is liaising with Kim McCarthy of the Cathedral.

Cathedral have decided only to hold a small celebration for this anniversary of the laying of the first stone, and to have a bigger celebration in 2039 to mark the anniversary of the consecration. They will contact us and/or local businesses if and when they would like any help.

11. Meadows

A subcommittee of the Meadows Trust is working on a plan to replace the existing buildings.

No progress.