

# GARVE AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

## MINUTES

of the meeting held at Achnasheen on Tuesday 7th December 2004

Present: Doug Winship, Pat Campbell, Eimir Hughes Winship, Sheree Grant, Marian Mackenzie, Kenneth Maclean, Jim Ruggles-Brise, Councillor Ewen Mackinnon, and 4 members of the public.

Apologies: Lady Eliza Leslie Melville, Ian Dickinson, Uisdean Menzies.

Approval of the minutes of the previous meeting was proposed by Pat Campbell and seconded by Sheree Grant.

### Matters Arising:

Garve Graveyard - trees by the school are to be grubbed out to increase parking provision.

Football Area - fencing is being replaced.

Achnasheen Water - Scottish Water mandate to supply a sustainable water supply has not been done in Achnasheen. Doug asked should this problem be passed to Water Solutions? The system was evidently only built to needs at the time, so only a certain amount supplied. Now not enough.

Road markings Ledgowan - Jim Ruggles-Brise has spoken to Andrew Hunter about the lack of white lining around Achnasheen roundabout. A number of white lining jobs to be done Ewen said, the contractor is due to do all the work but the weather has been against it.

Achnasheen Station - bargeboards have been replaced to contain gravel. Gates to be repaired.

First Scotrail intend to tidy up all stations on the line, sending out a draft plan. They would like to get communities involved in the upkeep of stations.

### Any Other Business:

The putting up of English/Gaelic signs on trunk roads is causing controversy.

Highland Council did vote for it, but Gaelic speakers think it is a waste of time and money, not sensible.

Deer accidents recording - Doug asked that anyone who has, or who knows of, deer accidents, to please let him know. Date, time, type of deer.

Complaints about the lack of gritting/snow ploughing by Highland Council was defended by Jim, who said they got out very quickly during the last inclement weather. Plant breakdowns usually to blame for the lack of service. When are HC going to get some newer machinery?

Ewen told the meeting there will be Community Councils meeting at Shieldaig on 21st January 2005 regarding community planning.

Lottery funding for a photocopier to produce News and Views is being considered in January.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 1st February 2005 at Garve.