

**Minute of Beauly Community Council
held on Monday, 30th September, 2013, at 7pm in Phipps Hall**

Present: C.Council: Rosie McDonald, Seona Fraser, Belle Maxwell, Tony Boyland, Jim Stewart
James Campbell
HC Member: Drew Hendry, Helen Carmichael, Margaret Davidson
Police:
Public: Ashley Macrae, Helen Zablinski
Guest: David Calder, Shinty Club
Apologies: Maratena Coleman, Jane Campbell

The Chair, Tony Boyland, welcomed David Calder to the meeting. He had been invited to join the discussion regarding the potential use of the vacant and deteriorating property adjoining the Shinty Club.

During the discussion there was a variety of suggestions to include the community, e.g. indoor sports facility with fitness rooms; indoor training area; squash court; link to a long term High Life card, something for the youth in the village, even an extra room for meetings, etc. to name but a few. The only part in use is the Rifle Club, whose membership appears to be diminishing, and **Tony Boyland** will contact Duncan Fraser to discuss this. It was also agreed to contact Lovat Estate to ask if they would demolish all the buildings should the Rifle Club close. **Action Rosie McDonald.** Cllr Drew Hendry said there was different funding available for sporting activities and also for architects to get something off the ground. The Shinty Club has a temporary building which is used as a gymnasium over the winter months but they would be happy to see it disappear, which all told would make this a very large area. It was agreed to have a sub-group to take this forward, comprising: David Calder, Ian Morrison and Fiona Morrison from the Shinty Club, and Tony Boyland, James Campbell and Jim Stewart from the Community Council.

1. **Previous Minute**

There are 2 amendments to Minute No.58 as follows:

Item 4(b) should be replaced with “There are still some problems regarding invoices. Cash flow funding has been agreed with Highland Council to fill the gap until Leader payments are paid back into the group account”

Item 4(c) The first sentence should be replaced with “The play house and carved bench has been donated by Moray Firth Cash for Kids with the agreement of the Beaton family.”

After accepting these amendments the minute was proposed by Tony Boyland and seconded by Rosie McDonald.

2. **Matters Arising**

a) **Police Matters**

Sgt Hay could not manage to attend this meeting but his report is attached.

b) **Village Plan** - Ongoing

c) **Village Monument Clean-up**

The Co-op now has a new manager and they are still running the fund-raising. Cllr Hamish Wood has requested estimates.

d) **Website** - Ongoing

e) Flower Tubs for Station

James Campbell and Tony Boyland will liaise with Scotrail as to where these tubs should be placed on the platform as they must be secured permanently to the ground.

f) War Memorial at Toll - Ongoing

g) Dead Tree at Priory

Two Highland Council officers have been out to inspect the tree and there is no immediate plan to take it down. David Grant says it is dangerous. **Tony Boyland** will contact HC again.

h) Fountain in Square

The water retainer needs to be removed, sand-blasted and sealed, possibly a new pump and it was suggested replacing all the parapet stones. A stonemason says that the stones would be hard to match. **Cllr Drew Hendry** will get in touch with the War Memorial Trust.

i) RBS Funding - Ongoing.

j) Area Around Shinty Club

As per the discussion with David Calder, it was agreed to organise a sub-group to take this forward, comprising David Calder, Ian Morrison and Fiona Morrison from the Shinty Club and Tony Boyland, James Campbell and Jim Stewart from the Community Council.

k) Braeview Development Park - There are still some problems regarding invoices.

l) Plans for New School - It is too early yet for detailed plans.

m) Flats Behind Post Office - Ongoing.

3. **Correspondence**

- a) Email from Alan Robertson, High Life Highland, requesting permission to set up a display in the Square regarding the "Knowing me knowing you" scheme. This was granted.
- b) SSE – Invitation to the Hydro 70th Anniversary Event in Eden Court on 10th October.
- c) Enterprise Ready Fund – Information and Briefing Event, 10th September 11.00-13.00 in Mercure Inverness Hotel, Church Street.
- d) Energy Saving Trust – Communities Event at the Centre for Health Science, Raigmore Hospital, 26th September 11am-4pm
- e) The Crown Estate – Management of the Scottish Coastal Estate – Lease for Jetty at Riverside Road. Bidwells LLP is appointed to manage the Coastal Estate. The lease for the jetty is £50 per annum, paid by James Campbell.
- f) Scottish Government Planning & Building Update.
- g) Letter from Ashley Macrae re Maple Vale Play Park (4a)

4. **Any Other Business**

a) Maple Vale Play Park

A letter has been received from Ashley Macrae (3g) requesting that a fence be erected around the play park. She had already written to Jake Mitchell at Highland Council who said it would be too expensive and directed her to the Community Council. Discussion then ensued regarding the overall state of the play park, the safety of the equipment, constant broken bottles, speeding

traffic, etc. The councillors agreed to take this to the Ward Business Meeting. In the meantime Jim Stewart would investigate the possibility of fencing (only around the play equipment) with the Community Services Programme. Sgt Hay had received no reports of speeding in the area, so a speed survey will be carried out, if not already done. **Action Cllr Carmichael.** The Village Officer will be instructed to check the park regularly for broken bottles and litter. **Action Cllr Margaret Davidson.**

b) Switching on of Christmas Lights

A programme for the lantern parade was agreed as follows, with copy to Cllr Carmichael.

6.20pm	Leave Braeview
6.30pm	Arrive at Mercat Cross
6.45pm	Carol Singing
7.00pm	Switch on lights by the Gala Queen
7.15pm	Arrival of Santa

It was agreed to have a Christmas CD on hand.

Corner-on-the-Square offered to “do something” and **Cllr Carmichael** will check with them.

c) Large Shed outside British Legion

It is understood that this shed has been emptied as the leasee is now deceased. It is owned by Lovat Estate on their ground and **Rosie McDonald** will contact them to find out their plans for it.

d) Overhanging Tree at Braeview (Bidgood) - **Rosie McDonald** to contact Lovat Estate.

e) Station Yard **Seona Fraser** will check the disused double containers.

f) Pictures of Her Majesty the Queen

The Co-op gave James Campbell 2 pictures of the Queen opening The House of Beauclerk, which he is going to pass to the Senior Citizens' Association.

g) Bus Bay outside Indian Restaurant - Done.

h) House (Denique Coelum) in Croyard Road - Backing up culvert replacement in October.

i) Watercourse near Filling Station – Debris removal work programmed for Oct/Nov.

5. **Planning**

1. Previous Applications

13/01006/FUL – Cuilach House, Station Road – Installation of 3 dormer windows and extension. Application was granted but they **did** take into account our concerns regarding vehicular access.

2. Current Application

13/03451/FUL - 2 Farlie View – Alterations to garage – no objection

13/03528/FUL - 18 Aird Place - Demolish conservatory, erect extension - no objection.

6. **Date of Next Meeting** - Monday, 28th October, at 7pm in Phipps Hall.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT FORM

Command Area	East Division	Community Group	Beauly
Station	Beauly	Officer Attending	PS 749 Hay
Data of Meeting	30/09/13	Location	Phipps Hall, beauly

Meeting Preparation

Ward and Local Policing Plan Priorities.	Activities conducted over the reporting period to support those priorities.
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Road Safety 2. Antisocial Behaviour 3. Alcohol Abuse 4. Theft and Poaching 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Officers in the Beauly beat area have dealt with three road traffic collisions. Officers also charged one driver with speeding. Two drivers were charged with driving whilst using mobile phones, one with failing to wear a seatbelt and one for driving without Insurance. 2. There have been no reports of antisocial behaviour in the Beauly area within the review period. A resident of Croyard Road has however complained about youths playing football within the grounds of the Primary School, needless to say this is not private land and thus this matter is difficult to Police. 3. No incidents were highlighted in the Beauly area in relation to alcohol abuse. 4. There have been a number of incidents within the rural communities surrounding Beauly concerning theft of tools and equipment from insecure vehicles. This matter is flagged to the members in the hope that the message can be put out to the community in relation to vehicle security.
Update on Previously Agreed Actions – See previous OP 55/8 & Relevant Reference on the Area Command Action Tracking Table	
Speeding through Beauly village continues to be monitored with one Beauly resident charged with speeding during this review period.	
Update on any local community safety issues / trends within the community and any assistance / information requested from the community. Review IMPACT / intelligence etc	
None highlighted at this time.	

Any local / Area Command / Divisional / Police Scotland updates / key messages

Police as well as other emergency services to include support agencies consistently waste untold hours spread throughout the year trying to locate rural properties where no house sign or number is displayed externally. It is respectfully requested that this Community Council may like to highlight this point within their community, worst case scenario being that mere minutes spent searching for a property during a medical emergency could make all the difference in saving a life, not to mention vital minutes lost should a perpetrator be in your locality. Any assistance in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Continued Operations are planned for the coming months targeting travelling criminals and Road Traffic Offences.

Meeting Outcomes

Date Raised	Issue	Agreed / Proposed Actions	Area Command Action Tracking Table Reference	Remarks

Intelligence - SID Log References (If submitted)

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Next Meeting

Date 17/10/13		Time 1930hrs	Location Community Centre, Kiltarlity
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Area Commander Review

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