Minute of Beauly Community Council Special Meeting held on Monday, 6th January, at 7pm in Phipps Hall

Present: C.Council: Jim Stewart, Maratena Coleman, Jane Campbell,

Tony Boyland, James Campbell, Rosie MacDonald

HC Member: None

Apologies: Seona Fraser, Belle Maxwell

A special Beauly CC meeting was held on the above date to discuss the Planning Application 13/0448/FUL for 8 Cottage Flats in Beauly.

Notices were placed in the village 2 weeks prior to the meeting to advise the residents of the impending special public planning meeting. It is noted that no members of the public were present.

Any comments regarding the planning application had to be submitted to Highland Council by Wed 15 Jan at the latest.

The plans were circulated to all the Members of Beauly CC prior to the meeting.

- 1. The members present examined the plans again and after discussing the matter unanimously decided to object to the application for the following reasons.
- a) The original application was for mixed housing a business use. The application removes any business use.
- b) The application exceeds the number of units originally planned for.
- c) Members felt the application is an "over intensity" of development for this site and in relation to the overall site area, appears too compressed and cluttered.
- d) There is a lack of amenity space and no provision for a play area or play park for children.
- e) Inadequate emergency vehicle access.
- f) Excessive traffic volumes in a small site.
- g) No consideration of public access & safety and a danger for children short-cutting to the main road through the trees.
- h) No provision of a wall to stop cars running down the slope from the main road into the complex. It should have at least an attractive stone wall with a gate in it and a footpath to the housing complex.
- i) Increased risk of flooding because of overdevelopment and no "green" area soak-away.
- 2. The Chairman of Beauly CC was asked to submit an objection in writing to Highland Council Planning Dept. detailing the above objections.
- 3. The Meeting closed at 19:45pm.
- 6. **Date of Next Community Council Meeting** Monday, 27th January, 2014, at 7pm in Phipps Hall.