

Beauly Community Council Minutes No 41

October 30th 2023 Held at Phipps Hall

Election Meeting held on Monday 30th October 2023 in Phipps Hall, Beauly

Present: Ivar Campbell, Rosie Macdonald, Seona Fraser, Roy Harrison, Joan Campbell, Mike Simmons, Jane Cumming

Apologies: James Campbell

Councillor Helen Crawford chaired the meeting and called for Nominations from the 8 elected members.

Chair	Roy Harrison was nominated and accepted no further nominations Roy Harrison was elected. Nominated by Rosie Macdonald and seconded by Ivar Campbell.
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Vice Chair	Jane Cumming was nominated and accepted no further nominations. Jane Cumming was elected nominated by Joan Campbell and seconded by Roy Harrison.
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Secretary	Joan Campbell was nominated and accepted no further nominations. Joan Campbell was elected nominated by Roy Harrison and seconded by Mark Simmons.
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Treasurer	Seona Fraser was nominated and accepted no further nominations. Seona Fraser was elected nominated by Roy Harrison and seconded by Joan Campbell.
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Committee Members

James Campbell, Rosie Macdonald, Mark Simmons, Ivar Campbell

Details of the new committee will be posted on the village notice boards and on the Beauly Community Council Web Site.

The first meeting of the above committee was held on 30th October 2023 at Phipps Hall Beauly at 7.30pm

In attendance
Community Cllrs

Rosie Macdonald
Roy Harrison
Mark Simmons
Ivar Campbell
Seona Fraser
Joan Campbell
Jane Cumming

Cllrs

Helen Crawford
Chris Ballance

Assoc Members

Apologies

James Campbell

Emma Knox
David Fraser,

Attendees

Wendy Campbell, Sasha Thureau, Lynsay Boyle, Jenny English (Parent Council) Naomi Hollas & Dougie from Belladrum. Gil Graham, Joe, Tony Boyland

Welcome

Roy Harrison chaired meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance.

Planning Report

No planning to report.

Recent application for battery plant will not affect access to Memorial at Toll Corner.

Minutes from meeting 29th May 2023

Approved by Rosie Macdonald and seconded by Mark Simmons

Financial Statement

No 1 Account	£ 4870.55
No 2 Account	£ 3621.59
Children Hall Account	£ 1554.00
Lovat Account	£. 1533.18
Beaulay in Bloom Account	£ 2213.22

Matters arising from last meeting

Beauly School

Meeting held on 26th October when it was confirmed that there will be no LEIP funding for Beauly School this confirms that the New School will not be built by Highland Council. A budget of £200,000 per annum for 5 years has been allocated for Beauly school but no arrangements are in place for how this will be spent. Parents and teachers have requested that the Highland council now propose what will happen to the school regarding security and the canteen building. We did discuss the possibility of funding a new school privately but this is fraught with numerous problems and although it has been successful elsewhere Beauly is a much bigger project. We await to hear from the Highland Council as to what their plans are to fixing Beauly Schools issues.

Highland council are meeting with the Head teacher and parent council next week to discuss.

Beauly Community Trust

Meeting held on 21st September well attended and we agreed to hold a workshop for ideas in January. Jane has contacted HTSI to arrange. Trust Minutes to follow.

Pot holes and abandoned cars etc

Pot holes through out the village continue to be reported. Entrance and Exit to Braeview park has again been reported.

Lovat Garden

Simon Lovat wants to erect a memorial in Beauly to the soldiers that died at Culloden. We suggested Lovat Garden as a possibility and he is happy to work with the Community Council on this. We have contacted Fraser Ross who we have been in discussion with regarding the Commando Association donating funds and erecting memorial plaques with this update and hopefully we can all get together to put something in place.

Christmas Lights

Tree lights have been ordered and work will start at the end of October. New lights on order for poles and we have contacted John Allan about new connections for poles. **Christmas light switch on** this year will be held on Thursday the 7th of December. Lovat Estate have kindly sponsored the Christmas Tree for this year.

SSEN Spittal to Beauly Line

Jane Cumming attended the exhibition at Kilmorack to display the chosen options for the new substations which are replacing the existing ones for the hydro dams (not the big sub station at Fanellan). The one at Kilmorack had previously included an option that would have been next to Kilmorack cemetery and while this is not within our community council area, it is the village cemetery. The option that is being pursued is much further up the hill and out of site of the cemetery so appears to be a much better location.

Work continues on pursuing options for community benefit funds as SSEN have announced a community fund of £10m for infrastructure projects that will be completed before the new community fund mechanism, under consideration by OFGEM and UK Government, comes into being.

Belladrum

Dougie and Naomi attended our meeting. They apologised for the traffic chaos caused last year. There were various reasons for this, new staff, new parking arrangements, and weather. They have taken onboard all of our feedback regarding lack of traffic management in the village and signage to advise certain roads are not usable and will be back in touch with us following their meeting with Highland Council and the Police for arrangements for next year.

The Old Priory

Email received from John Fountain HES advising that work to renew pointing on the abbey will commence in a few weeks time and the priory building will be closed at this time but the grounds will remain open. This work has not yet started. We have chased him again about an information notice to be erected about the Elm Tree - no up date yet.

Station Road Hedges/gardens

Lyndale Hedge still to be cut as obscuring exit view from Braeview Park Emma chasing. 12 Station Road has been visited by Mike Hayes Environmental Health and he has established the executors for the property lives in Clackmannanshire. Dawn Weston Housing Empty homes is also involved.

Village Parking

Shinty Club still to contact us regarding their discussions with the Highland Council regarding lining of Braeview Carpark.

20mph Zone

Unfortunately Ross could not make the meeting. A discussion was held with Station Road residents about the noise and vibration caused by crossing at Phipps Hall. When speed survey was completed the cables were too close to the crossing to get an accurate survey from the traffic. The main proposals is for the speed bump to be removed. We compared Beaulys 20mph with Muir of Ord's and they have no speed bumps. Ross has been in touch and is now looking at the removal of the Speed Bump and we await confirmation of when this work would be completed and how long the works would take.

CNOC

Work now complete on circular path and funding application to be made to upgrade for next length of path. Damage to the path caused by heavy rain fall repaired by Lovat Estates also the area around the culverts have been cleared. Thank you sent to Estate Office for attending to promptly.

Signage/Road Markings

Update on various issues requested from Emma Knox

Beaulys Square One Way Initiative.

Details of our previous proposals sent to John Taylor Roads Operation Manager and we await his response

Outstanding Items as at 29th May 2023

1. **Community Emergency/Resilience plan** - **Action Roy Harrison**
2. **Junction Markings** - Bus stop markings have been completed but junction at Priory Hotel still to be done.
3. **Bench at old Priory** - bench has been repaired and returned.

Next Meeting Monday 30th November 2023 at Phipps Hall at 7pm

