**STRATHGLASS COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 12th September 2018 at 7:30 pm in Cannich Village Hall**

**Present:** Nigel Ellis (Chair), Alan Hood, Paul Stirling and Annette Sutherland.

**Apologies:** Kay Graham and Margaret Davidson.

**In Attendance:** PC Scott Maclean and two members of the public.

1. Mr Ellis took the Chair, noted that there was a quorum, welcomed all those in attendance and declared the meeting open.
2. Minutes: The minutes of the SCC meeting held on 1st August 2018 were proposed for adoption, unanimously approved and signed by Mr Ellis.
3. Police Report: PC Maclean referred to the two recent road traffic accidents (as reported upon in the last meeting) and reported that there had been no other issues of concern. He also reported that local police officer numbers would be back to a full complement very shortly.
4. Matters Arising from the SCC meeting on 1st August 2018:

a) John Taylor of THC had reported upon the traffic speed survey recently conducted on the A831 Struy road between the two bridges before Cannich village. It had been found that the average northbound speed was 34.9 mph, whilst that for southbound traffic was 36.8 mph. Based upon these results, he opined that there was no great need to lower the current speed limit to 30 mph.

b) Regarding the cosmetic condition of Cannich Bridge, John Taylor advised that repainting of the roadside surfaces would greatly improve the appearance and he suggested that THC could provide materials if the community would undertake the work. It was agreed that his suggestion be followed up and that possibly the bridge to the south of the village could be similarly made over.

c) Regarding secretarial duties, the Chair reported that advertisements asking for interested parties to get in touch had been placed on local notice boards. To date, no response had been received.

1. SACC activities report:

 a) Local action plan: reported that a questionnaire was being prepared that would be circulated to local community groups and businesses, seeking their involvement on a dedicated committee.

 b) Cannich Village Hall: Reported that a new caretaker had been appointed. Also reported that a broken window requires repair.

 c) Land use: Reported that as “Trees for Life” were also considering a (much larger) rewilding project, the Land Use Group intended to arrange a joint meeting in the near future.

 d) Former Nurse’s house: Nothing further to report at present.

 e) Reported that the Cannich Village Gala Day was a great success and that £914 had been raised.

6. Ongoing SCC activities report:

 a) Public access defibrillators: Accurate costs for replacement pads and batteries (due for replacement by year end) should be available for the next meeting. Alan Hood undertook to ascertain the latest situation regarding the Shinty Club defibrillator for the next meeting.

7. Treasurer’s report:

 Reported that the annual ICO remittance of £40 had been made and that after allowing for estimated future liabilities and retained funds the available balance was £1115.60.

8. Correspondence:

 a) The Chair provided a review of all correspondence received since the last meeting.

 b) Alan Hood agreed to arrange for volunteers for bridge painting whilst the Chair would advise John Taylor at THC of acceptance of his offer of materials and tools.

 c) THC had advised details of their Community Council Scheme Review. SCC members were invited to respond individually as they may wish.

9. Planning matters:

 Nothing to report.

10. Secretarial duties:

 Various ideas were discussed with no firm outcome but the Chair and Annette Sutherland undertook to progress.

11. Any other business:

 Agreed that the Chair would ask THC for an update on the condition monitoring of the Fasnakyle Cemetery wall.

There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting at approx. 8-30 pm and advised the date of the next meeting as Wednesday, 24th October 2018 at 7-30 pm in Cannich Village Hall.

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