**STRATHGLASS COMMUNITY COUNCIL (SCC**)

**Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 31st July 2019 at 7:30 pm in Cannich Village Hall**

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

**Apologies:** None.

**In Attendance:** Nomembers 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 19th June 2019 were proposed for adoption, unanimously approved and signed by the Chair.

1. **AGM minutes:**

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1. **Matters arising from meeting on 19-6-19:**

a)Cannich Bridge painting: A sample section of the bridge rail and in-fill has been painted to check efficacy.

 b) Forestry Commission Scotland: Three community councillors will attend the FCS field visit organised for 31-8-19. Limited other places are available. Any interested persons should contact Paul Stirling (tomichkennels@aol.com) ASAP.

 c) Glen Affric Hotel and Bar: Demolition of the bar and site clearance has been completed. Actions regarding the Hotel are awaited.

 d) IMFLDP Call for Sites: A submission, of a general nature, on behalf of SCC has been made. Details can be seen on THC website when all submissions are published.

 e) Cannich play area: The cost of an additional, similar bin would be approx. £440, a hard standing would be required, and emptying arrangements made. Resolved that THC be asked to supply an additional bin.

 f) Senior’s Christmas Lunch: An application has been made to the SCF for a grant to help cover costs.

1. **Police Report:**

 No report was available.

1. **Correspondence:**

 The Chair provided a summary of all correspondence received since the last meeting. Of particular note were:

 a) A consultation request from SSE to a scoping exercise for a substantial extension to the Bhlaraidh Wind Farm. Agreed that SCC would ask for a mandatory consultation should planning consent be applied for, and that a comprehensive, rigorous visual impact assessment should be a key part of any EIS.

 b) A reminder from ICO that the annual £40 data protection fee is due. Chair to pay then reclaim.

 c) A letter from Nigel Fraser advising of his intention to make a submission to THC Call for Sites regarding his ideas for possible housing development in Tomich.

 d) A request for comment from THC Planning regarding application 19/02808/FUL for a log cabin, wind turbine and solar array. Agreed to ask THC Planning what criteria they use when determining which applications they seek comment upon.

1. **SACC activities report:**

Reported that there had been a positive response to the Nurses’ House survey that had enabled a successful grant submission. A meeting has been arranged with HCSHT so that a business plan can be prepared.

8**. SCC activities report:**

a) Struy broadband: Nothing further to report.

b) Transport Feasibility Study: Two community councillors had attended the Soirbheas arranged workshop in Drumnadrochit. A report is due to be published in early September.

9. **Treasurer’s report**:

 Reported that after ring fenced and awaiting clearance items, the balance available is £1212.37. The Treasurer asked for signed copies of all 2018/19 SCC minutes for forwarding to THC. The Chair to provide.

10. **Planning matters:** (All details on THC website)

Alan Hood provided a summary of all planning applications and decisions since the last meeting.

See also paras. 6a),6c),6d).

11. **Forestry:**

 a) See para. 4b) regarding Glen Affric visit.

 b) Response from FCS Land Agent regarding the Plodda Falls track still awaited.

12. **Deer management:**

 Nothing further to report.

13. **Any other business:**

 a) Community Council Scheme Review 2018/19:

 The Chair provided a summary of amendments following Phase 1 of the consultation. All details are available on THC website.

 b) We have been advised that Kate Forbes MSP will be holding a surgery at Cannich Hall on 19-8-19, 6-00 to 7-00 pm. For details refer to public notice boards.

14. **Next meeting.** There being no other business, the Chair closed the meeting at approx. 9-00 pm and advised the date of the next meeting as Wednesday, 11th September 2019 at 7-30 pm in Cannich Village Hall.

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