

DORNIE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING IN DORNIE HALL 29th March 2010

Present: Mike Fordyce, Kenny Fraser, Graham Hewitt, Angus MacDonald, Fay MacKenzie, Shona MacLennan, Suzanne Meikle, Angus Peterkin, Nina Shanks

In Attendance: Cllr Biz Campbell

Apologies: Janice Nixon

The Chair of the CC, Shona, offered our condolences to Mike Fordyce regarding the tragic loss of his partner.

The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as true and fair. (Proposer: Suzanne; Second.: Kenny)

Treasurer's Report: Suzanne reported a balance of £846.38.

Scottish Water: An information day was held on Monday, 8th February in Dornie Hall between 3.30 pm and 7.30 pm regarding the upgrade of the septic tank and was well attended.

Recycling Point: No reply has been received from either the Chair of Waste Management or the Head of same regarding the community offer to screen the recycling facility. Shona will write to the Chief Executive of HC regarding the failure of either an elected member or council official to reply to our communications.

Correspondence: Core Path Signage – Donald Kennedy, HC Access Officer, had asked the CC to consider whether we wished signage for the Ardelve Shore Walk to be bilingual. The CC agreed to ask that the signs be in both English and Gaelic.

Community Profile – The Wester Ross Alliance asked us to update the profile on Dornie's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats. This provoked some interesting discussion.

Dornie in Bloom: A meeting was held and a group of enthusiasts agreed to commence with planting early flowering bulbs and tubs at the entrance to Dornie and at the built up beds in the village. If people have ideas for improving other parts of the CC area, they're welcome to join in. Biz suggested the CC apply for funding from the Ward Discretionary Budget to purchase bulbs. A planting day will be arranged shortly.

Senior Citizen's Trip: Fay gave details of the trip to Mallaig and the steam train journey for our senior citizens and the CC agreed to donate £150 towards the substantial sum the group had already raised.

AOCB: National Spring Clean - The CC decided against holding a Spring Clean this year, but recognized that litter and associated issues, such as dog fouling, were a serious problem.

Path to Nostie: We understand that the owner of the land which the majority of the proposed footpath would traverse, Baroness van Lynden, was agreeable to the proposal to upgrade the existing path so that it would be more accessible to tourists and locals alike. If this is to go ahead we would need to secure funding and establish a group of volunteers to maintain the path in good condition. If anyone is interested please get in touch with the secretary.

Date of next meeting: Monday 31st, May at 7.30 pm in Dornie Hall

Secretary: Graham Hewitt, Ar Dachaidh 555363. secydorniecc@btinternet.com (these minutes are available by email)

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