

DORNIE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING IN DORNIE HALL 27th September 2010

Present: Graham Hewitt, Angus MacDonald, Fay MacKenzie, Suzanne Meikle, Nina Shanks

In Attendance: Cllr Biz Campbell

Apologies: Mike Fordyce, Kenny Fraser, Shona MacLennan, Janice Nixon, Angus Peterkin,

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

Treasurer's Report: Suzanne reported the annual grant of £1030.80 had been received and that there was a balance of £2052.38.

Matters Arising – Community Care Minibus: Rod Richard of HC replied to the secretary's enquiry concerning the Graham House minibus. He said that while this vehicle had been given up "the An Acarsaid minibus and driver remain available to cover both areas and will be deployed where there is the highest assessed need. Currently this is used on days when wheelchair transport to Graham House is needed where Day care is continuing until the New Day centre is ready. In certain circumstances taxis are also being used." Day care at the new Carr Brae centre will be delivered in partnership with Alzheimer's Scotland. Cllr Campbell will write to Bill Alexander of HC for further information, while Fay will approach Flora Johnston of Graham House and Alzheimer's Scotland.

- **Grass Cutting:** the secretary and George Speed examined the areas of concern and photos were taken of the problems. However one tractor had been redeployed to other duties while another was in the north of Skye, but the issue will be looked at shortly.

Annual Fireworks Display: The CC agreed to donate £150 towards the Fireworks Display and Christmas party up the Glen. Angus reported that a very successful Fun Day and BBQ had been held recently with a good turn out despite the rain. They had also deployed a couple of picnic tables up the Glen for visitors and locals to use. It was encouraging to hear that the number of school age children in the Glen was increasing – something to do with the water!

Correspondence: Lochalsh and Skye Housing Association have launched a free energy advice service aimed at householders, community groups and village hall committees. Advice can be given over the phone and there is also the option to have a home visit. They can be contacted on 01478 612035. Details are also on the Dornie CC website.

The Highlands Small Communities Housing Trust issued their first newsletter. The trust buys plots in small communities and offers them for sale at affordable prices to individuals who meet the Trust's criteria. Details are on our website. <http://www.dornie.org.uk/>

NHS Highland has issued the results of their Better Together In-Patient Survey.

Highland Council has launched a consultation on the Highland Wide Local Development Plan with full details on the Council website. A Ward Forum to discuss the Plan will take place on 29th November in Plockton.

AGM: The AGM was postponed will take place on 29th November at 7:30 pm, prior to the regular meeting

Date of next meeting: Monday 29th November at 7.30 pm in Dornie Hall

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