

Shieldaig Community Association SCIO

Minutes 15th November 2016

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Present: Pauline McNeil (Chair), Nick McNeil, Peter Fenton, Ann Barton, and Alan Milne (Secretary)

Apologies: Jim Alexander (Treasurer) and Nommie Cameron

Approval of minutes for 27th September 2016

Treasurer's Report

- Skiff Project expenditure of £404.35
- Pontoon income (including repayment of the bill paid twice by mistake) of £850
- The skiff project have taken out insurance under the name of Shieldaig & Loch Torridon Coastal Rowing Club so we no longer need to have the skiff on our insurance
- Full expense report for 7th November 2016 is available on the Community Website

Maintenance Report

- The two concrete benches (one on School Brae and the other in the campsite) are both in need of renovation as the woodwork is in a state of decay. Alan has measured both and will talk with Nommie regarding the work to be done
- Similarly Alan will re-letter the plaque by the metal herons at the South entrance to the village

Toilet Block

- The toilet block has NOT been closed for the winter by the Highland Council
 - This means that we will have to lag the pipework and ensure that the doors close properly to keep the heat in
 - Ann to provide Alan with an old door closure to see if this can be used on the Gent's door
 - Pauline to speak to Scott about installing low level heating
 - Alan to refit the Chemical Waste Disposal sign

Other Projects

- Village Hall Front Door. No response so far so Nick is to chase this up
- Alan to source and fit cleats in the Village Hall so that banners, etc. can be hung
- Possible welcome sign for the North entrance to village
 - this was discussed and a simple Blue and White design similar to that at the South entrance but on a dry stone structure was favoured
 - Peter to email the land owner to try and obtain permission for this
 - Peter to get quotes for the sign and labour from Craig

SCA SCIO Office Address

- It was agreed that as secretary Alan should take over the office address and to complete the paperwork for this

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Correspondence

- Ann Barton has tendered her resignation as a trustee of the association with effect from November 30th 2016
 - Pauline thanked her for the hard work she had put in as the previous secretary and we all wish her well for the future

AOCB

- Beverly from the Community Council attended and gave a brief presentation about their dealings with the Highlands Small Communities Housing Trust (HSCHT)
 - They, in cooperation with Torridon and Kinlochewe Community Council, are paying the HSCHT to survey the need for affordable housing and other infrastructure within the area
 - Survey forms will be sent out to everyone in the area
 - Any possible actions highlighted from the survey may need to be requested by groups independent from the CC. The SCA SCIO could possibly help by helping to form these independent groups.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 17th January 2017 at 7.00pm in the Village Hall.