# Glencoe & Glen Etive Community Council

# Minutes of the Meeting of Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018, 7-30pm held in St Mary's Church Hall

#### **Councillors Present**

Alister Sutherland (Chair)
Ganes Dunlop (Treasurer)
Gwen McTaggart (Secretary)
Ian William McTaggart
Natasha Dickson

#### **Invited Guests**

Clea Warner, NTS General Manager NW
Scott McCombie, NTS Property Manager Glencoe
Gabriel English, vento ludens
Tom O'Hare, vento ludens

#### **Also Present**

Rev Sandy Stoddart
+ 2 residents

# **Apologies**

Victoria Sutherland
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# **Invited Guests**

# vento ludens

Allt Fhiodhan/Inverrigan. 340 kW. Planning & surveys in progress. Don't expect an effect on migratory fish due to fish barriers in vicinity. SEPA will be consulted on planning application/construction methods.

Exclusivity would expire end October if had not made significant progress, but feel have. March 2019 OFGEM registration deadline.

Mr English proposed community benefit payment based on a figure of £5,000/MW = £1,700.

Community Council sentiment was supportive.

# **National Trust for Scotland**

SNH in 2017 awarded National Nature Reserve status to Glencoe.

Visitor Centre Upgrade – Existing facility tired, reflected in visitor comments. Funding has been secured, footprint will remain same, described as a "refurbishment". Did not feel that their offering was changing to an extent that would adversely impact local businesses. Planning applications to be submitted shortly with refurbishment planned for winter 2018. AS requested that the NTS keep the community informed.

GORT – Funding secured, keen to proceed (in this financial year if possible), currently in dialogue with roads authorities.

IMT asked about upgrade of laybys, e.g. Three Sisters. NTS felt limited in what they could do.

#### **Approval of Previous Minutes**

Proposed AS, seconded GD.

## **Matters Arising from Previous Minutes**

IMT contacted Andy Tuckwood re: car park bin. Supposed to be arriving.

IMT contacted HC re: Invercoe Bridge replacement. Was scheduled for 2018/19. Has been put back a year.

The CC thanks Ian Nicolson & Dave Chrystal & Helen Fairlie for litter picking.

Belated record that a donation to the Senior Citizens was agreed at the April meeting.

#### **Finance**

The bank balance stands at £1,534.88.

### **Planning**

- Glen Etive Hydro Schemes
- Argiva Mast (Relocated to Mountain Rescue)

Regarding the Glen Etive Hydro Schemes, a resident expressed a view that given the few residents in Glen Etive, community involvement and community benefit should be spread further. The CC proposes to invite William Dickins of Dickins Hydro to a meeting.

# **Meetings Attended**

None.

#### **Correspondence Received**

Thank you letter from the Senior Citizens for CC donation.

Email from resident, pet cat run over, asking for speed-reduction measures. The CC was very sorry to hear of this. They felt that beyond the existing 20 mph limit and speed humps and school sign on Lorn Drive, there were limited practical options available. The email proposed a 10 mph limit. The CC does not believe there is any provision for speed limits below 20 mph (see, e.g., Section 5 of Scottish Gov't publication "Setting Local Speed Limits: Guidance for Local Authorities: ETLLD Circular 1/2006" (LINK)).

#### **Community Company**

Update to follow.

#### Village Hall

Progress continues. Claire has offered an update at a subsequent meeting.

# **AOCB**

Scottish Water tanks under Pap have been filled in.

AS has been invited to speak to the Crofters at their AGM.

Belford New Build workshop on 9<sup>th</sup> August. AS will attend.

# **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

7-30pm on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

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